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(54) Title: PIGMENT PRODUCTION BY CELLS HAVING INTRODUCED CYTOCHROME P450 SEQUENCES

(57) Abstract: The present invention relates generally to a method for producing a pigment in or by biological material including plant, animal and microbial cells. More particularly, the present invention is directed to the use of a cytochrome P450 protein or a derivative or homologue thereof together with one or more homologous or heterologous associated proteins to facilitate the conversion of a substrate, to a coloured product. The method of the present invention is predicated in part on the oxidation of indole or related molecules by the cytochrome P450 protein and a homologous or heterologous associated protein to indoxyl and oxidized indoxyl or related molecules which alone or in combination with other molecules can form a range of pigments including indigo and indirubin.

Pigment production by cells having introduced cytochrome P450 sequences.**FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

5 The present invention relates generally to a method for producing a pigment in or by biological material including plant, animal and microbial cells. Particularly useful biological material contemplated herein includes microbial cells, plant cells such as plant tissue and organs including petals, flowers, stems, leaves and seeds, plant fibrous material such as cotton, and non-cellular plant material. More particularly, the present invention is

10 directed to the use of a cytochrome P450 protein or a derivative or homologue thereof together with one or more homologous or heterologous associated proteins to facilitate the conversion of a substrate, when available to or in a cell, to a coloured product. The coloured product makes the cell in which it is produced, as well as surrounding tissue or medium to which the product leaks and tissue and plant material connected by a vascular

15 system to the cell in which the product is formed, change colour. The present invention is further directed to microorganisms, transgenic animal cells and transgenic plants, parts of plants including cells of plants and progeny of said plants which are capable of expressing genetic material encoding a cytochrome P450 protein or a derivative or homologue thereof and one or more homologous or heterologous associated proteins wherein microorganisms,

20 transgenic animal cells and plant cells expressing such genetic material or surrounding cells or cells and plant material connected at the vascular level to said first mentioned cells undergo a colour change relative to cells or plant tissue which do not express this genetic material. The present invention further provides parts of plants including cells, tissues and organs such as petals, flowers (e.g. cut or severed flowers), stems, leaves and seeds,

25 fibrous material such as cotton and non-cellular material which have undergone a colour change resulting from a pigment whose production is facilitated by the presence of a cytochrome P450 protein or a derivative or homologue thereof and one or more homologous or heterologous associated proteins. The method of the present invention is predicated in part on the oxidation of indole or related molecules by the cytochrome P450

30 protein and a homologous or heterologous associated protein to indoxyl and oxidized indoxyl or related molecules which alone or in combination with other molecules can form

a range of pigments including indigo and indirubin. The production of pigment in microbial cells, animal cells or plant cells is useful *inter alia* in the ornamental flower industry, as commercial tags and as sources of pigments for the dye industry. The pigment produced is also useful as a marker for transformation of microbial, plant and animal cells.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Reference to any prior art in this specification is not, and should not be taken as, an acknowledgment or any form of suggestion that this prior art forms part of the common 10 general knowledge in Australia or any other country.

Bibliographic details of the publications referred to by author in this specification are collected at the end of the description. Nucleotide and amino acid sequences are referred to by a sequence identifier, i.e. <400>1, <400>2, etc. A sequence listing is provided after the 15 claims.

The increasing sophistication of recombinant DNA technology is greatly facilitating research and development in the chemical, agricultural and horticultural industries. Of particular importance is the use of genetic techniques to introduce useful phenotypes in 20 plants such as disease resistance, frost resistance and altered flower colour.

The ability to alter flower colour has been a major focus of the horticultural industry. The use of genetic manipulation has the potential to vastly increase the range of flower colour which has so far been achieved using conventional breeding practices. One approach has 25 been to manipulate the flow of metabolites through the flavonoid biosynthetic pathway. This pathway results in the production of anthocyanins which are glycosylated derivatives of cyanidin, delphinidin, petunidin, peonidin, malvidin and pelargonidin. The flavonoid pathway is well established and the pattern of hydroxylation of the B-ring of anthocyanins plays a key role in determining petal colour (see International Patent Application No. 30 PCT/AU94/00265 [WO 94/28140]).

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In order to fully exploit the potential spectrum of colour change, other approaches of manipulating plant colour need to be considered.

Cytochrome P450 proteins are a superfamily of haemoproteins which catalyze the
5 oxidation of a diverse range of chemicals in a wide variety of organisms. Cytochrome P450 proteins are involved, for example, in clearance of xenobiotic chemicals, biosynthesis of hormones and other signalling molecules and participate in homeostatic mechanisms. Cytochrome P450-dependent monooxygenases require for activity, associated proteins which catalyze the transfer of electrons from, for example, a co-
10 enzyme to a prosthetic haem group on the cytochrome P450 molecule. Generally, the associated protein is a reductase such as a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase. An associated protein may also have a role in facilitating interaction between a cytochrome P450 and a reductase. An example of such a molecule is cytochrome b₅ (De Vetten *et al.*, 1999). This may be used with a cytochrome P450 protein or in addition to
15 another associated protein.

In work leading up to the present invention, the inventors observed that microorganisms engineered to express genetic material encoding a cytochrome P450 protein turned themselves and their culture medium blue. In accordance with the present invention, it is
20 proposed to exploit this phenomenon to generate pigment production in microbial cells, animal cells and in plant cells and tissue and other plant material.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Throughout this specification, unless the context requires otherwise, the word "comprise", or variations such as "comprises" or "comprising", will be understood to imply the inclusion of a stated element or integer or group of elements or integers but not the exclusion of any other element or integer or group of elements or integers.

One aspect of the present invention is directed to the use of genetic material encoding a cytochrome P450 protein or a functional derivative or homologue thereof in the generation 10 of a genetically modified cell, which cell has the capacity to produce a pigment in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof upon expression of said genetic material.

Another aspect of the present invention provides for a use of genetic material encoding a 15 cytochrome P450 protein or a derivative or homologue thereof in the generation of a genetically modified cell, which cell has the capacity to produce a pigment in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof upon expression of said genetic material wherein the genetic material, encoding the cytochrome P450 protein or its functional derivative or homologue, is co-expressed with genetic material encoding an 20 associated protein.

A further aspect of the present invention is directed to the use of genetic material encoding a mammalian or microbial cytochrome P450 monooxygenase or a functional derivative or homologue thereof in the generation of a genetically modified cell, which cell has the 25 capacity to produce a pigment in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof and upon expression of said genetic material wherein said genetic material encoding the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase or its functional derivative or homologue is co-expressed with genetic material encoding an associated protein selected from a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase and/or a cytochrome b_5 or a 30 functional derivative or homologue of either molecule.

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Still another aspect of the present invention provides a method of inducing a colour change in a plant or part of a plant said method comprising introducing into plant cells a genetic construct encoding a cytochrome P450 protein or a functional derivative or homologue thereof, regenerating a plant from said plant cells and subjecting said plant to appropriate 5 conditions sufficient to permit expression of a nucleotide sequence on said genetic construct which encodes said cytochrome P450 protein such that in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof said cytochrome P450 protein facilitates the conversion of indole or its precursor, analogue or derivative to an intermediate which is capable of oxidation to a pigment.

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Yet another aspect of the present invention provides a genetically modified cell or multicellular animal or plant or progeny thereof or parts of said transgenic plant or animal wherein said transgenic plant or animal comprises expressible genetic material encoding a microbial or mammalian cytochrome P450 protein.

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Even yet another aspect of the present invention provides a genetically modified cell or multicellular animal or plant or progeny or parts thereof comprising expressible genetic material encoding a microbial or mammalian cytochrome P450 monooxygenase such that upon expression of said genetic material and in the presence of an associated protein and 20 indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof, the indole or its precursor, analogue or derivative is converted to an intermediate which is capable of oxidation to a pigment.

A further aspect of the present invention is directed to a transgenic plant or progeny or parts thereof comprising expressible genetic material encoding a microbial or mammalian 25 cytochrome P450 monooxygenase such that upon expression of said genetic material and in the presence of an associated protein and indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof, the indole or its precursor, analogue or derivative is converted to an intermediate which is capable of oxidation to a pigment.

30 Still another aspect of the present invention provides a transfected or transformed cell, tissue, organ or non-cellular material which contains or is capable of producing

cytochrome P450 protein or a functional derivative or homologue thereof.

Yet another of the present invention is further directed to flowers (e.g. cut or severed flowers), parts of plants, fibrous material from plants (e.g. cotton), non-cellular material 5 and reproductive portions of plants (e.g. cuttings, seeds, pollen, callus) which are coloured or have the capacity to be coloured in the presence of indole or a precursor thereof due to the presence of cytochrome P450 protein (e.g. monooxygenase) and an associated protein (eg. NADPH-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase or cytochrome b₅).

10 Even yet another aspect of the present invention provides for the use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a 15 precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises the amino acid sequence (F/P/W/L/Y)(G/S/C/N/H/E)X (G/D/A/E)X(R/H/S/K/T)XCX₁(G/A) wherein X is any amino acid and X₁ is selected from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and wherein where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a single position.

20 Still a further the present invention provides for the use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a 25 precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises the amino acid sequence (F/L)(G/S)XGX(R/H)XCX₁(G/A) where X is any amino acid and X₁ is selected from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a 30 single position.

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Yet another the present invention is directed to the use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:

5 (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>8, <400>10 or <400>12;

10 (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>7, <400>9 or <400>11;

15 (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);

20 (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>2, <400>4 or <400>6;

(v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>1, <400>3 or <400>5; or

25 (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

Even yet another the present invention provides for the use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a

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pigment wherein the genetic sequence further comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding an NPR wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:-

- (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>14 and
5 <400>16;
- (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>13 and <400>15;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i)
10 or (ii);
- (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence
encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>14 and <400>16;
- 15 (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence
defined in <400>13 and <400>15; or
- (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a
nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

20 A further aspect of the present invention provides for the use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a
25 precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:

- (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>21;
- 30 (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>20;

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- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);
- 5 (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>21;
- (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>20; or
- 10 (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

Still another aspect of another aspect of the present invention provides for the use of a
15 genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is
20 oxidizable to a pigment wherein the genetic sequence further comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding an bacterial flavodoxin wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:

- (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>23;
- 25 (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>22;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);

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- (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>23;
- 5 (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>22; or
- (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

10 Yet another aspect of the present invention further contemplates the use of plant or plant material as a source of pigment for use, for example, in the dye or cosmetics industry or as commercial tags.

Even yet another aspect of the present invention further provides a genetic construct

15 comprising a cistron encoding a microbial or mammalian cytochrome P450 protein for use, and more particularly, when used, in the generation of a transformed plant cell such that upon expression of said cistron, the cytochrome P450 facilitates conversion of indole or a precursor thereof to a molecule oxidizable to a pigment.

20 In a further aspect of the invention, the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises the amino acid sequence (F/P/W/L/Y)(G/S/C/N/H/E)X (G/D/A/E)X(R/H/S/K/T)XCX₁(G/A) wherein X is any amino acid and X₁ is selected from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and wherein where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a single position.

25 In still another aspect of the invention, the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises the amino acid sequence (F/L)(G/S)XGX(R/H)XCX₁(G/A) where X is any amino acid and X₁ is selected from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a single position.

30 In yet another aspect of the present invention, the nucleotide sequence encoding the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase is selected from:-

- (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>8, <400>10, <400>12 or <400>21;
- 5 (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>7, <400>9 or <400>11 or <400>20;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);
- 10 (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>2, <400>4, <400>6 or <400>21;
- (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>1, <400>3, <400>5 or <400>20; or
- 15 (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

20 In even yet another aspect of the present invention, a particularly useful associated protein is human NPR (hNPR) encoded by:-

- (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>16;
- 25 (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400> 15;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);
- 30 (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>14;

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- (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>13; or
- 5 (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

In a further aspect of the present invention, another useful associated protein is a bacterial flavodoxin encoded by:-

- 10 (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>23;
- (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>22;
- 15 (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);
- (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>23;
- 20 (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>22; or
- (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

Figure 1 is a diagrammatic representation of the strategy used for generation of monocistronic and bicistronic constructs for co-expression of cytochrome P450 forms and 5 hNPR. Solid bars represent P450 coding sequences; shading represents hNPR coding sequence; hatched bars represent other inserts, for example, linkers.

Figure 2 is a photographic representation of blue pigments in P450 2A6 cultures. (A) Cultures (2 ml) were prepared with (+) and without (-) isopropyl- β -D-thiogalactoside 10 [IPTG] induction in TB media (48 hr at 29°C) with vigorous shaking. (B) Expression was induced by IPTG with (+) or without (-) the addition of 1.0 mM indole to the culture.

Figure 3 is a photographic representation of thin layer chromatography (TLC) separation of pigments formed by *E. coli* cells expressing DNA encoding cytochrome P450 2A6. The 15 pigments (1,2,3,4) were separated by thin layer chromatography TLC as described in Example 3. The band ("O") at the TLC origin was subsequently shown by visible, 1 H NMR and mass spectrometry to be indigo, identical to compound 4 but not eluted due to the insoluble nature of the material.

20 Figure 4 is a photographic representation of spectra of pigments formed by *E. coli* cells expressing DNA encoding cytochrome 450 monooxygenase 2A6. Pigments (1,2,3,4) were separated by TLC as described and spectra of pigments 2 and 4 were recorded in CHCl₃. The spectrum of pigment 2 is characteristic of indirubin whereas pigment 4 corresponds to indigo.

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Figure 5 is a graphical representation of 1 H NMR spectra of pigment 2 (indirubin) produced by cytochrome P450 monooxygenase 2A6 (Figure 3), at 400 MHz in d6-Me₂SO. Assignments are indicated. The connectivities and 2-D spectra are shown on the structure.

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Figure 6 is a graphical representation of ^1H NMR spectra of pigment 4 (indigo) produced by cytochrome P450 monooxygenase 2A6 (Figure 3), at 400 MHz in d6-Me₂SO. Assignments are indicated. The connectivities and 2-D spectra are shown on the structure.

5 **Figure 7** is a photographic representation of TLC showing *in vitro* production of blue pigments by bacterial membranes containing human cytochrome P450 protein and human NADPH-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase (hNPR). Each cytochrome P450 form is indicated. The arrow indicates the position of indigo. In the case of incubations containing P450 2A6, the indigo produced remained largely at the origin due to insolubility, a
10 phenomenon also seen in Figure 3.

15 **Figure 8** is a graphical representation showing relative *in vitro* production of blue pigments by bacterial membranes containing human cytochrome P450 protein and human NADPH-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase (hNPR). Each cytochrome P450 form is indicated. For cytochrome P450 monooxygenase 2C9, the various allelic variants are indicated as “*1”, “*2”, “*3”. “HL16” is a human liver microsomal sample. In all cases, 0.8 mM indole was incubated with the membranes (0.2 μM P450) for 30 min at 37°C and dye production was analyzed by measuring absorbance at 665 nm.

20 **Figure 9** is a representation of a timecourse showing the production of various metabolites from indole over time in incubations with recombinant P450 2A6 and hNPR in bacterial membranes. Experiments were performed as described in Example 6. A₆₁₅ indicates total absorbance at 615 nm, indicating pigment production. tR 3.3 indicates a metabolite with retention time of 3.3 min under the HPLC conditions used. Other metabolites are indicated
25 on the figure.

Figure 10 is a representation of the postulated reactions in cytochrome P450 monooxygenase-catalyzed pigment formation in *E. coli*.

30 **Figure 11** is a diagrammatic representation showing postulated chemical mechanisms for cytochrome P450 monooxygenase-catalyzed pigment formation in *E. coli*.

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Figure 12 is a diagrammatic representation showing the general strategy for subcloning cytochrome P450 and hNPR cDNAs into vectors for expression in plants. In the cases of P450 2A6 and hNPR, which contain an internal *SacI* site, the final ligation of the ribosome binding site (RBS) coding sequence and *nos* terminator into p2.5GEM-II was done in two separate steps.

A summary of the sequence identifiers used in the subject specification is shown in Table 1.

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TABLE 1
Summary of Sequence Identifiers

SEQUENCE IDENTIFIER	DESCRIPTION
<400>1	Nucleotide sequence encoding human derived cytochrome P450 2A6 monooxygenase for expression in bacterial cells
<400>2	Amino acid sequence of P450 2A6 encoded by <400>1
<400>3	Nucleotide sequence encoding human derived cytochrome P450 2E1 monooxygenase for expression in bacterial cells
<400>4	Amino acid sequence of P450 2E1 encoded by <400>3
<400>5	Nucleotide sequence encoding human derived cytochrome P450 2C19 monooxygenase for expression in bacterial cells
<400>6	Amino acid sequence of P450 2C19 encoded by <400>5
<400>7	Nucleotide sequence encoding human derived cytochrome P450 2A6 monooxygenase for expression in eukaryotic cells
<400>8	Amino acid sequence of P450 2A6 encoded by <400>7
<400>9	Nucleotide sequence encoding human derived cytochrome P450 2E1 monooxygenase for expression in eukaryotic cells
<400>10	Amino acid sequence of P450 2E1 encoded by <400>9
<400>11	Nucleotide sequence encoding human derived cytochrome P450 2C19 monooxygenase for expression in eukaryotic cells
<400>12	Amino acid sequence of P450 2C19 encoded by <400>11
<400>13	Nucleotide sequence encoding human derived cytochrome P450 reductase (NPR) for expression in bacterial cells
<400>14	Amino acid sequence of NPR encoded by <400>13

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SEQUENCE IDENTIFIER	DESCRIPTION
<400>15	Nucleotide sequence of human derived NPR for expression in eukaryotic cells
<400>16	Amino acid sequence of NPR encoded by <400>15
<400>17	Nucleotide sequence of genetic construct for bacterial production of P450 2A6
<400>18	Nucleotide sequence of genetic construct for bacterial production of P450 2E1
<400>19	Nucleotide sequence of genetic construct for bacterial product of P450 2C19
<400>20	Nucleotide sequence encoding P450 cin, a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase from <i>Citrobacter brakii</i>
<400>21	Amino acid sequence of P450 cin encoded by <400>20
<400>22	Nucleotide sequence encoding flavodoxin
<400>23	Amino acid sequence of flavodoxin encoded by <400>22

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A summary of abbreviations used in the subject specification is provided in Table 2.

TABLE 2
Abbreviations

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ABBREVIATION	DESCRIPTION
P450 A26	Cytochrome P450 2A6 monooxygenase
P450 2E1	Cytochrome P450 2E1 monooxygenase
P450 2C19	Cytochrome P450 2C19 monooxygenase
P450 cin	Cytochrome P450 cin monooxygenase from <i>Citrobacter brakii</i>
IPTG	Isopropyl- β -D-thiogalactoside
TLC	Thin layer chromatography
NPR	NADPH-cytochrome P450 reductase
hNPR	Human-derived NADPH-cytochrome P450 reductase
Associated protein	A protein which catalyzes transfer of electrons from a co-enzyme to prosthetic haem group on cytochrome P450 protein or facilitates interaction of cytochrome P450 protein and a cytochrome P450 reductase

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

Accordingly, one aspect of the present invention is directed to the use of genetic material encoding a cytochrome P450 protein or a functional derivative or homologue thereof in the 5 generation of a genetically modified cell, which cell has the capacity to produce a pigment in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof upon expression of said genetic material.

More particularly, the present invention provides for the use of genetic material encoding a 10 cytochrome P450 protein or a functional derivative or homologue thereof in the generation of a transgenic plant which transgenic plant has the capacity to produce a pigment in all or part of its tissue or non-cellular material in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof upon expression of said genetic material.

15 The cytochrome P450 protein is preferably a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase and requires one or more associated proteins for activity. The associated protein may be a reductase such as a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase and/or may be cytochrome b₅ or a homologue thereof. The associated protein may be a naturally occurring molecule in the cell into which the genetic material encoding the cytochrome P450 protein 20 is introduced or it may be introduced simultaneously with, subsequently to or separately from the genetic material encoding the cytochrome P450 protein. In one embodiment, the genetic material comprises a bicistronic construct encoding both the cytochrome P450 protein and the associated protein. In another embodiment, the genetic material comprises two or more separate monocistronic constructs each encoding a cytochrome P450 protein 25 and one or more associated proteins. In still yet another embodiment, the genetic material encodes a cytochrome P450 protein and its activity is facilitated by one or more host cell associated proteins. In even yet another aspect, the genetic material is a tricistronic or multicistronic construct encoding a cytochrome P450 protein and at least two associated proteins.

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Another aspect of the present invention provides for a use of genetic material encoding a cytochrome P450 protein or a derivative or homologue thereof in the generation of a genetically modified cell, which cell has the capacity to produce a pigment in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof upon expression of said genetic 5 material wherein the genetic material, encoding the cytochrome P450 protein or its functional derivative or homologue, is co-expressed with genetic material encoding an associated protein.

More particularly, the present invention is directed to a use of genetic material encoding a 10 cytochrome P450 protein or a derivative or homologue thereof in the generation of a transgenic plant which transgenic plant has the capacity to produce a pigment in all or part of its tissue or non-cellular material in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof upon expression of said genetic material wherein the genetic material encoding the cytochrome P450 protein or its functional derivative or homologue is co- 15 expressed with genetic material encoding an associated protein. The cell may be a microbial cell (e.g. a bacterial, yeast or fungal cell), an animal cell (e.g. an insect, fish, amphibian, avian or mammalian cell) or a plant cell.

The associated protein may be indigenous to the cell or may have been previously 20 introduced. The present invention covers both homologous and heterologous cytochrome P450 protein-associated protein combinations. A homologous combination is one which is naturally occurring. That is, the associated protein is one which is normally associated with the cytochrome P450 protein in a naturally occurring cell. A heterologous combination is one where the associated protein is not normally associated with the cytochrome P450 25 enzyme. An associated protein includes a molecule such as cytochrome b₅ or a functional homologue or derivative thereof. The term "co-expressed" includes co-expression on a single bicistronic, tricistronic or multicistronic construct, expression of separate monocistronic constructs and expression of one or more genetic construct together with expression of a nucleotide sequence contained in genomic DNA.

The preferred associated protein is a protein which can catalyze the transfer of electrons. One example of a reductase is a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase. One particularly useful reductase in the practice of the present invention is an NADPH-cytochrome P450 reductase or "NPR" which catalyses the transfer of electrons from 5 NADPH *via* FAD and/or FMN to the prosthetic haem group on the cytochrome P450 molecule. A particularly useful NPR is a human-derived NPR which is designated herein "Hnpr". Another useful reductase is a redoxin reductase. The preferred cytochrome P450 protein is a monooxygenase and is of mammalian or microbial origin. Particularly useful cytochrome P450 monooxygenases in the practice of the present invention are of human or 10 primate origin. The present invention extends, however, to cytochrome P450 monooxygenases of bacterial or eukaryotic origin.

Another aspect of the present invention is directed to the use of genetic material encoding a mammalian or microbial cytochrome P450 monooxygenase or a functional derivative or 15 homologue thereof in the generation of a genetically modified cell, which cell has the capacity to produce a pigment in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof and upon expression of said genetic material wherein said genetic material encoding the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase or its functional derivative or homologue is co-expressed with genetic material encoding an associated protein selected 20 from a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase and/or a cytochrome b₅ or a functional derivative or homologue of either molecule.

More particularly, the present invention provides for the use of genetic material encoding a mammalian or microbial cytochrome P450 monooxygenase or a functional derivative or 25 homologue thereof in the generation of a transgenic plant which transgenic plant has the capacity to produce a pigment in all or part of its tissue or non-cellular material in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof and upon expression of said genetic material wherein said genetic material encoding the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase or its functional derivative or homologue is co-expressed with genetic 30 material encoding an associated protein selected from a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome

P450 reductase and/or a cytochrome b₅ or a functional derivative or homologue of either molecule.

A preferred reductase is an NADPH-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase.

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As stated above, the term "co-expression" includes expression of genetic material encoding both the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase and the associated protein in a bicistronic, tricistronic or multicistronic construct as well as expression of separate genetic constructs or co-expression of the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase genetic material with

10 genetic material encoding an associated protein indigenous to the cell into which the genetic material encoding the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase is introduced.

The term "non-cellular material" in relation to plants includes vascular regions such as the phloem and xylem, fibrous material such as cotton and non-living regions of the plant.

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Although not intending to limit the present invention to any one theory or mode of action, it is proposed that the cytochrome P450 protein and the associated protein(s) convert indole to indoxyl. This compound may then spontaneously oxidize in the presence of oxygen to oxidized indoxyl and then be spontaneously transformed to indigo. This process

20 may also be catalyzed by the cytochrome P450 protein. Alternatively, indoxyl may be further transformed by cytochrome P450 catalysis to indigo by a different mechanism (see

Figure 11). Another product of cytochrome P450-dependent oxidation of indole is isatin. Another pigment, indirubin, is also generated when isatin combines with indoxyl. The pigments produced may remain in the cells, tissues or organs such as, in the case of plants,

25 cells of petals, flowers, stems, leaves or seeds, may leak to surrounding cellular or non-cellular regions or may be transported to other regions *via* the plant vascular system. The pigment may also be present in fibrous material such as cotton or even non-cellular

material. By expressing the genetic material encoding the cytochrome P450 protein and the associated protein with a developmentally or organ specific promoter, particular parts of

30 the plant can be targeted for a colour change. The colour is generally dark, such as dark blue or black or may be a purple to red colour. Different shades of colours may be obtained

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by providing chemically modified substrates for the cytochrome P450 monooxygenases or providing to the plant modified substrates or compounds which before or after cytochrome P450-dependent metabolism may complex with endogenous indole or a precursor, analogue, derivative or metabolites thereof. In addition, a range of colours may be obtained
5 following interactions between indigo and other related dyes or their precursors and plant molecules associated with pigmentation such as flavonoid molecules.

All plants are encompassed by the present invention, i.e. monocotyledonous plants and dicotyledonous plants. Particularly useful plants are flower crop plants including rose,
10 carnation, petunia, lisianthus, lily, iris, tulip, freesia, delphinium, limonium, pelargonium, commercial crops such as cotton and food crops (such as wheat, rice, barley and sugar cane).

Yet another aspect of the present invention provides a method of inducing a colour change
15 in a plant or part of a plant, said method comprising introducing into plant cells a genetic construct encoding a cytochrome P450 protein or a functional derivative or homologue thereof, regenerating a plant from said plant cells and subjecting said plant to appropriate conditions sufficient to permit expression of a nucleotide sequence on said genetic construct which encodes said cytochrome P450 protein such that in the presence of indole
20 or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof said cytochrome P450 protein facilitates the conversion of indole or its precursor, analogue or derivative to an intermediate which is capable of oxidation to a pigment.

Preferably, the cytochrome P450 protein is a monooxygenase of microbial or mammalian
25 origin. The term "microbial origin" includes bacterial origin. Reference to a "cytochrome P450 protein includes and encompasses hybrid molecules from two or more cytochrome P450 proteins as well as naturally occurring and artificially created mutants and derivatives.

30 The activity of the cytochrome P450 protein requires the presence of one or more accessory proteins which may be present in and be indigenous to the plant cells or may

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also be introduced on a separate genetic construct or on the same genetic construct which encodes the cytochrome P450 protein.

In one aspect, the indole (or its precursor) converted to indigo or its precursor is 5 endogenous indole. However, increased levels of indole or its precursor, analogue or derivative thereof may be provided to the plant *via*, for example, its root system such as in a fertilizer. Alternatively, cut flowers or other severed portions of the plant may be placed in a solution of indole or precursor, analogue or derivative thereof. The vascular system, in the case of a plant, will then transport the indole into the plant tissue cells and pigment 10 production will occur in the presence of the cytochrome P450 protein and the associated protein. In a further aspect of the invention, cells are engineered to express genetic material encoding a tryptophanase or another enzyme in order to promote and/or endogenous levels of indole or its precursors or homologues. Preferably, the genetic material encoding the tryptophanase or other enzymes would be able to be regulated at the developmental and/or 15 organ and/or tissue specific levels.

This aspect of the present invention, insofar as it relates to plants, further extends to progeny of the plants engineered to express the cytochrome P450 protein as well as vegetative, propagative and reproductive parts of the plants (including cuttings, pollen, 20 seeds and callus).

Another aspect of the present invention provides a genetically modified cell or multicellular animal or plant or progeny thereof or parts of said transgenic plant or animal wherein said transgenic plant or animal comprises expressible genetic material encoding a 25 microbial or mammalian cytochrome P450 protein.

More particularly, the present invention provides a transgenic plant or progeny thereof or parts of said transgenic plant wherein said transgenic plant comprises expressible genetic material encoding a microbial or mammalian cytochrome P450 protein.

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Preferably, the cytochrome P450 protein is a monooxygenase.

Even more particularly, the present invention provides a genetically modified cell or multicellular animal or plant or progeny or parts thereof comprising expressible genetic material encoding a microbial or mammalian cytochrome P450 monooxygenase such that

5 upon expression of said genetic material and in the presence of an associated protein and indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof, the indole or its precursor, analogue or derivative is converted to an intermediate which is capable of oxidation to a pigment.

Still more particularly, the present invention is directed to a transgenic plant or progeny or

10 parts thereof comprising expressible genetic material encoding a microbial or mammalian cytochrome P450 monooxygenase such that upon expression of said genetic material and in the presence of an associated protein and indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof, the indole or its precursor, analogue or derivative is converted to an intermediate which is capable of oxidation to a pigment.

15 The term "genetically modified" is used in its broadest sense and includes introducing gene(s) into cells, mutating gene(s) in cells and altering or modulating the regulation of gene(s) in cells.

20 A "part" of a plant includes flowers (e.g. cut or severed flowers), petals, stems, leaves and fibrous material such as cotton and vegetative, propagative and reproductive material such as cuttings, pollen, seeds and callus.

Generally, the coding region(s) on the genetic material are operably linked to a single or

25 multiple promoters. In one embodiment, the genetic construct is a bicistronic construct under the control of (i.e. operably linked to) a single promoter where the cistrons encode both the cytochrome P450 protein and the associated protein. In another embodiment, the genetic construct is a tricistronic or multicistronic construct.

30 As used herein, the term "genetic material" refers to any single-stranded or double-stranded nucleic acid molecule which at least comprises deoxyribonucleotides and/or

ribonucleotides, including DNA (cDNA or genomic DNA), RNA, mRNA, or tRNA, amongst others. The combination of such molecules with non-nucleotide substituents derived from synthetic means or naturally-occurring sources is also contemplated by the present invention.

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“Derivatives” of the genetic sequence of the invention refers to any isolated nucleic acid molecule which comprises at least 10 and preferably at least 20 contiguous nucleotides derived from the genetic sequence as described herein according to any embodiment. A derivative includes a part, fragment, portion or analogue. A derivative also includes a 10 fusion molecule between two more genetic sequences encoding cytochrome P450 molecules.

An “analogue” of a genetic sequence of the invention means any isolated nucleic acid molecule which is substantially the same as a nucleic acid molecule of the present 15 invention or its complementary nucleotide sequence as described herein according to any embodiment, notwithstanding the occurrence of any non-nucleotide constituents not normally present in said isolated nucleic acid molecule, for example carbohydrates, radiochemicals including radionucleotides, reporter molecules such as, but not limited to, alkaline phosphatase or horseradish peroxidase, amongst others. A “homologue” is a 20 functionally similar molecule from a different species or strain.

Generally, analogues or derivatives of the nucleic acid molecule of the invention are produced by synthetic means or alternatively, derived from naturally-occurring sources. For example, the nucleotide sequence of the present invention may be subjected to 25 mutagenesis to produce single or multiple nucleotide substitutions, deletions and/or insertions.

The genetic sequence of the present invention may comprise a sequence of nucleotides or be complementary to a sequence of nucleotides which comprise one or more of the 30 following: a promoter sequence, a 5' non-coding region, a *cis*-regulatory region such as a functional binding site for transcriptional regulatory protein or translational regulatory

protein, an upstream activator sequence, an enhancer element, a silencer element, a TATA box motif, a CCAAT box motif, or an upstream open reading frame, transcriptional start site, translational start site, and/or nucleotide sequence which encodes a leader sequence. The genetic sequence also encodes the cytochrome P450 enzyme and optionally an 5 associated protein (e.g. cytochrome P450 reductase and/or cytochrome b₅).

The term "5' non-coding region" is used herein in its broadest context to include all nucleotide sequences which are derived from the upstream region of an expressible gene, other than those sequences which encode amino acid residues which comprise the 10 polypeptide product of said gene, wherein 5' non-coding region confers or activates or otherwise facilitates, at least in part, expression of the gene.

The term "gene" is used in its broadest context to include both a genomic DNA region corresponding to the gene as well as a cDNA sequence corresponding to exons or a 15 recombinant molecule engineered to encode a functional form of a product.

As used herein, the term "cis-acting sequence" or "cis-regulatory region" or similar term shall be taken to mean any sequence of nucleotides which is derived from an expressible genetic sequence wherein the expression of the first genetic sequence is regulated, at least 20 in part, by said sequence of nucleotides. Those skilled in the art will be aware that a cis-regulatory region may be capable of activating, silencing, enhancing, repressing or otherwise altering the level of expression and/or cell-type-specificity and/or developmental specificity of any structural gene sequence.

25 Reference herein to a "promoter" is to be taken in its broadest context and includes the transcriptional regulatory sequences of a classical genomic gene, including the TATA box which is required for accurate transcription initiation, with or without a CCAAT box sequence and additional regulatory elements (i.e. upstream activating sequences, enhancers and silencers) which alter gene expression in response to developmental and/or 30 environmental stimuli, or in a tissue-specific or cell-type-specific manner. A promoter is usually, but not necessarily, positioned upstream or 5', of a structural gene, the expression

of which it regulates. Furthermore, the regulatory elements comprising a promoter are usually positioned within 2kb of the start site of transcription of the gene.

In the present context, the term "promoter" is also used to describe a synthetic or fusion 5 molecule, or derivative which confers, activates or enhances expression of a structural gene or other nucleic acid molecule, in a plant cell. Preferred promoters according to the invention may contain additional copies of one or more specific regulatory elements to further enhance expression in a cell, and/or to alter the timing of expression of a structural gene to which it is operably connected.

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The term "operably connected" or "operably linked" in the present context means placing a structural gene (e.g. cytochrome P450 protein or associated protein) under the regulatory control of a promoter which then controls expression of the gene. Promoters and the like are generally positioned 5' (upstream) to the genes which they control. In the construction 15 of heterologous promoter/structural gene combinations, it is generally preferred to position the genetic sequence or promoter at a distance from the gene transcription start site that is approximately the same as the distance between that genetic sequence or promoter and the gene it controls in its natural setting, i.e., the gene from which the genetic sequence or promoter is derived. As is known in the art, some variation in this distance can be 20 accommodated without loss of function. Similarly, the preferred positioning of a regulatory sequence element with respect to a heterologous gene to be placed under its control is defined by the positioning of the element in its natural setting, i.e., the genes from which it is derived.

25 A further aspect of the present invention provides a transfected or transformed cell, tissue, organ or non-cellular material which contains or is capable of producing cytochrome P450 protein or a functional derivative or homologue thereof. Preferably, the cytochrome P450 protein is a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase. This material will also contain or be capable of producing an associated protein such as a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome 30 P450 reductase or cytochrome b₅ or a functional homologue or derivative of either.

The genetic construct(s) of the present invention may be introduced into a cell by various techniques known to those skilled in the art. The technique used may vary depending on the known successful techniques for that particular organism.

- 5 Techniques for introducing recombinant DNA into cells include, but are not limited to, transformation using CaCl_2 and variations thereof, direct DNA uptake into protoplasts, PEG-mediated uptake to protoplasts, microparticle bombardment, electroporation, microinjection of DNA, microparticle bombardment of tissue explants or cells, vacuum-infiltration of tissue with nucleic acid, and T-DNA-mediated transfer from *Agrobacterium*
- 10 to the plant tissue.

For microparticle bombardment of cells, a microparticle is propelled into a cell to produce a transformed cell. Any suitable ballistic cell transformation methodology and apparatus can be used in performing the present invention. Exemplary apparatus and procedures are

- 15 disclosed by Stomp *et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 5,122,466) and Sanford and Wolf (U.S. Patent No. 4,945,050). When using ballistic transformation procedures, the genetic construct may incorporate a plasmid capable of replicating in the cell to be transformed.

Examples of microparticles suitable for use in such systems include 0.1 to 10 μm and more

- 20 particularly 10.5 to 5 μm tungsten or gold spheres. The DNA construct may be deposited on the microparticle by any suitable technique, such as by precipitation.

Once introduced into cells such as plant tissue, the expression of a cytochrome P450 protein and/or associated protein may be assayed in a transient expression system or it may

- 25 be determined after selection for stable integration within for example, the plant genome.

Plant tissue capable of subsequent clonal propagation, whether by organogenesis or embryogenesis, may be transformed with a genetic construct of the present invention and a whole plant generated therefrom. The particular tissue chosen will vary depending on the

- 30 clonal propagation systems available for, and best suited to, the particular species being transformed. Exemplary tissue targets include leaf disks, pollen, embryos, cotyledons,

hypocotyls, megagametophytes, callus tissue, existing meristematic tissue (e.g. apical meristem, axillary buds, and root meristems), and induced meristem tissue (e.g. cotyledon meristem and hypocotyl meristem).

- 5 The regenerated transformed plants may be propagated by a variety of means, such as by clonal propagation or classical breeding techniques. For example, a first generation (or T1) transformed plant may be selfed to give homozygous second generation (or T2) transformant, and the T2 plants further propagated through classical breeding techniques.
- 10 Intended recipient plants of the cytochrome P450 protein or its derivative or homologue and/or associated protein or proteins (e.g. a cytochrome P450 reductase or cytochrome b₅) may first be modified such that the level of available indole or its precursor, analogue or derivative thereof for conversion to pigments (e.g. indigo) is altered. Generally, but not necessarily, the level is increased. A range of mutations in amino acid biosynthesis or
- 15 metabolic pathways may be induced to result in accumulation of indole or an indole precursor. Alternatively, the indole or its precursor, analogue or derivative thereof is provided exogenously such as *via* a fertilizer or *via* a solution applied to the plant or parts of the plant.
- 20 The present invention is further directed to flowers (e.g. cut or severed flowers), parts of plants, fibrous material from plants (e.g. cotton), non-cellular material and reproductive portions of plants (e.g. cuttings, seeds, pollen, callus) which are coloured or have the capacity to be coloured in the presence of indole or a precursor thereof due to the presence of cytochrome P450 protein (e.g. monooxygenase) and an associated protein (e.g.
- 25 NADPH-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase or cytochrome b₅).

Reference herein to "mammalian" in relation to a cytochrome P450 protein or associated protein includes a human, primate, livestock animal (e.g. sheep, pig, cow, horse, donkey), laboratory test animal (e.g. rabbit, mouse, guinea pig, hamster), companion animal (e.g. 30 cat, dog) or a captive wild animal. Preferred mammals are primates and humans. Particularly preferred mammals are humans. Reference to "bacterial" includes prokaryotes

such as *E. coli*, *Pseudomonas* sp, *Acinetobacter* sp, and *Citrobacter* sp; the term "microbial" includes bacteria but also includes eukaryotic cells such as yeast, fungi and animal cells, e.g. insect cells.

- 5 Any and all microbial and mammalian cytochrome P450 proteins and in particular cytochrome P450 monooxygenases are contemplated by the present invention provided that such monooxygenases can act on indole or its precursors, analogues or derivatives. Preferred cytochrome P450 proteins comprise the consensus amino acid sequence (F/P/W/L/Y)(G/S/C/N/H/E)X (G/D/A/E)X(R/H/S/K/T)XCX₁(G/A) wherein X is any
- 10 amino acid and X₁ is selected from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and wherein where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a single position. More particularly, the cytochrome P450 monooxygenases comprise the consequence sequence (F/L)(G/S)XGX(R/H)XCX₁(G/A) where X is any amino acid and X₁ is selected from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a single
- 15 position. The cytochrome P450 monooxygenase may also comprise a hybrid from two or more cytochrome P450 proteins. The cytochrome P450 monooxygenases according to this aspect of the present invention are capable of converting indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative to an intermediate which is capable of oxidation to a pigment. Conveniently, a suitable cytochrome P450 monooxygenase having the above consensus sequence and, in
- 20 the presence of an associated protein and indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof, provides a pigment or a precursor of a pigment, may be selected from Genbank. Alternatively, a Nelson website may be selected such as:
<http://drnelson.utmem.edu/CytochromeP450.html>;
- 25 <http://drnelson.utmem.edu/p450apub192.html>; and
<http://drnelson.utmem.edu/p450bpub237.html>.

The consensus sequence is obtained by comparing the amino acid sequence of the haem binding region of P450 proteins.

- 30 Particularly preferred cytochrome P450 monooxygenases include the human-derived P450 2A6, P450 2E1 and P450 2C19 monooxygenases. The nucleotide sequences encoding

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these monooxygenases are given in <400>1, <400>3 and <400>5, respectively (corresponding amino acid sequences are given in <400>2, <400>4 and <400>6, respectively). These sequences are specifically designed for expression in bacterial cells. The nucleotide sequence given in <400>7, <400>9 and <400>11 (with corresponding 5 amino acid sequences given in <400>8, <400>10 and <400>12, respectively) are respectively for P450 2A6, P450 2E1 and P450 2C19 when in a form suitable for expression in eukaryotic cells such as plant cells.

Accordingly, the present invention provides for the use of a genetic sequence comprising a 10 nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a 15 pigment wherein the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises the amino acid sequence (F/P/W/L/Y)(G/S/C/N/H/E)X (G/D/A/E)X(R/H/S/K/T)XCX₁(G/A) wherein X is any amino acid and X₁ is selected from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and wherein where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a single position.

20 More particularly, the present invention provides for the use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a 25 precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises the amino acid sequence (F/L)(G/S)XGX(R/H)XCX₁(G/A) where X is any amino acid and X₁ is selected from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a single position.

Even more particularly, the present invention is directed to the use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a

5 precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:

- (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>8,
10 <400>10 or <400>12;
- (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>7, <400>9 or <400>11;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i)
15 or (ii);
- (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence
encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>2, <400>4 or <400>6;
- 20 (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence
defined in <400>1, <400>3 or <400>5; or
- (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a
nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

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The cytochrome P450 monooxygenase of the present invention includes modified forms of the enzyme such as those resulting from site-directed or random mutagenesis as well as naturally occurring mutant forms.

30 The cytochrome P450 monooxygenase requires an associated protein such as NADPH-dependent cytochrome P450 (NPR) or cytochrome b_5 . One particularly useful associated

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protein is NPR. The nucleotide and corresponding amino acid sequences for an NPR from human cells are given in <400>13 and <400>14 (for use in bacteria) and <400>15 and <400>16 (for use in plants).

- 5 Accordingly, the present invention provides for the use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a
- 10 precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the genetic sequence further comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding an NPR wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:-
- 15 (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>14 and <400>16;
- 20 (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>13 and <400>15;
- 25 (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);
- 30 (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>14 and <400>16;
- 35 (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>13 and <400>15; or
- 40 (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

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Another useful cytochrome P450 monooxygenase is of bacterial origin such as from *Citrobacter* sp. One particularly useful cytochrome P450 monooxygenase is from *Citrobacter brakii*. The nucleotide sequence and corresponding amino acid sequence is shown in <400>20 and <400>21, respectively. Its corresponding associated protein is a 5 flavodoxin. The nucleotide sequence encoding flavodoxin and its corresponding amino acid sequence is shown in <400>22 and <400>23, respectively.

Accordingly, the present invention provides for the use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 10 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:-

15 (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>21;

(ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>20;

20 (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);

(iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>21;

25 (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>20; or

(vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a 30 nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

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In accordance with this embodiment, the bacterial cytochrome P450 monooxygenase is preferably operable in the presence of a flavodoxin or other suitably associated protein. Accordingly, another aspect of the present invention provides for the use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a

5 cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the genetic sequence further comprises a nucleotide sequence

10 encoding an bacterial flavodoxin wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:-

(i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>23;

15 (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>22;

(iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);

20 (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>23;

(v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>22; or

25 (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

The term "similarity" as used herein includes exact identity between compared sequences at the nucleotide or amino acid level. Where there is non-identity at the nucleotide level, 30 "similarity" includes differences between sequences which result in different amino acids that are nevertheless related to each other at the structural, functional, biochemical and/or

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conformational levels. Where there is non-identity at the amino acid level, "similarity" includes amino acids that are nevertheless related to each other at the structural, functional, biochemical and/or conformational levels. In a particularly preferred embodiment, nucleotide and sequence comparisons are made at the level of identity rather than 5 similarity.

Terms used to describe sequence relationships between two or more polynucleotides or polypeptides include "reference sequence", "comparison window", "sequence similarity", "sequence identity", "percentage of sequence similarity", "percentage of sequence 10 identity", "substantially similar" and "substantial identity". A "reference sequence" is at least 12 but frequently 15 to 18 and often at least 25 or above, such as 30 monomer units, inclusive of nucleotides and amino acid residues, in length. Because two polynucleotides may each comprise (1) a sequence (i.e. only a portion of the complete polynucleotide sequence) that is similar between the two polynucleotides, and (2) a sequence that is 15 divergent between the two polynucleotides, sequence comparisons between two (or more) polynucleotides are typically performed by comparing sequences of the two polynucleotides over a "comparison window" to identify and compare local regions of sequence similarity. A "comparison window" refers to a conceptual segment of typically 12 contiguous residues that is compared to a reference sequence. The comparison window 20 may comprise additions or deletions (i.e. gaps) of about 20% or less as compared to the reference sequence (which does not comprise additions or deletions) for optimal alignment of the two sequences. Optimal alignment of sequences for aligning a comparison window may be conducted by computerised implementations of algorithms (GAP, BESTFIT, FASTA, and TFASTA in the Wisconsin Genetics Software Package Release 7.0, Genetics 25 Computer Group, 575 Science Drive Madison, WI, USA) or by inspection and the best alignment (i.e. resulting in the highest percentage homology over the comparison window) generated by any of the various methods selected. Reference also may be made to the BLAST family of programs as for example disclosed by Altschul *et al.* (1997). A detailed discussion of sequence analysis can be found in Unit 19.3 of Ausubel *et al.* (1998).

The terms "sequence similarity" and "sequence identity" as used herein refers to the extent that sequences are identical or functionally or structurally similar on a nucleotide-by-nucleotide basis or an amino acid-by-amino acid basis over a window of comparison. Thus, a "percentage of sequence identity", for example, is calculated by comparing two optimally aligned sequences over the window of comparison, determining the number of positions at which the identical nucleic acid base (e.g. A, T, C, G, I) or the identical amino acid residue (e.g. Ala, Pro, Ser, Thr, Gly, Val, Leu, Ile, Phe, Tyr, Trp, Lys, Arg, His, Asp, Glu, Asn, Gln, Cys and Met) occurs in both sequences to yield the number of matched positions, dividing the number of matched positions by the total number of positions in the window of comparison (i.e., the window size), and multiplying the result by 100 to yield the percentage of sequence identity. For the purposes of the present invention, "sequence identity" will be understood to mean the "match percentage" calculated by the DNASIS computer program (Version 2.5 for windows; available from Hitachi Software engineering Co., Ltd., South San Francisco, California, USA) using standard defaults as used in the reference manual accompanying the software. Similar comments apply in relation to sequence similarity.

Reference herein to a low stringency includes and encompasses from at least about 0 to at least about 15% v/v formamide and from at least about 1 M to at least about 2 M salt for hybridization, and at least about 1 M to at least about 2 M salt for washing conditions. Generally, low stringency is at from about 25-30°C to about 42°C. The temperature may be altered and higher temperatures used to replace formamide and/or to give alternative stringency conditions. Alternative stringency conditions may be applied where necessary, such as medium stringency, which includes and encompasses from at least about 16% v/v to at least about 30% v/v formamide and from at least about 0.5 M to at least about 0.9 M salt for hybridization, and at least about 0.5 M to at least about 0.9 M salt for washing conditions, or high stringency, which includes and encompasses from at least about 31% v/v to at least about 50% v/v formamide and from at least about 0.01 M to at least about 0.15 M salt for hybridization, and at least about 0.01 M to at least about 0.15 M salt for washing conditions. In general, washing is carried out $T_m = 69.3 + 0.41 (G+C)\%$ (Marmur and Doty, 1962). However, the T_m of a duplex DNA decreases by 1°C with every increase

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of 1% in the number of mismatch base pairs (Bonner and Laskey, 1974). Formamide is optional in these hybridization conditions. Accordingly, particularly preferred levels of stringency are defined as follows: low stringency is 6 x SSC buffer, 0.1% w/v SDS at 25-42°C; a moderate stringency is 2 x SSC buffer, 0.1% w/v SDS at a temperature in the 5 range 20°C to 65°C; high stringency is 0.1 x SSC buffer, 0.1% w/v SDS at a temperature of at least 65°C.

The present invention further contemplates the use of plant or plant material as a source of pigment for use, for example, in the dye or cosmetics industry, as commercial tags and as 10 markers for transformation of microbial, plant and/or animal cells. The present invention further provides a genetic construct comprising a cistron encoding a microbial or mammalian cytochrome P450 protein for use, and more particularly, when used, in the generation of a transformed plant cell such that upon expression of said cistron, the cytochrome P450 facilitates conversion of indole or a precursor thereof to a molecule 15 oxidizable to a pigment. Preferably, the cytochrome P450 protein is a mammalian or bacterial cytochrome P450 monooxygenase.

Preferably, the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises the amino acid sequence (F/P/W/L/Y)(G/S/C/N/H/E)X (G/D/A/E)X(R/H/S/K/T)XCX₁(G/A) wherein X is any 20 amino acid and X₁ is selected from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and wherein where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a single position.

More preferably, the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises the amino acid sequence (F/L)(G/S)XGX(R/H)XCX₁(G/A) where X is any amino acid and X₁ is selected 25 from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a single position.

Even more preferably, the nucleotide sequence encoding the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase is selected from:-

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- (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>8, <400>10, <400>12 or <400>21;
- 5 (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>7, <400>9 or <400>11 or <400>20;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);
- 10 (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>2, <400>4, <400>6 or <400>21;
- (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>1, <400>3, <400>5 or <400>20; or
- 15 (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

Preferably, the genetic construct comprises another cistron encoding an associated protein such as but not limited to a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase (NPR) and/or cytochrome b₅ or a functional derivative or homologue thereof.

A particularly useful associated protein is human NPR (hNPR) encoded by:-

- 25 (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>16;
- (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400> 15;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);
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(iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>14;

5 (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>13; or

(vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

10 Another useful associated protein is a bacterial flavodoxin encoded by:-

(i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>23;

15 (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>22;

(iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);

20 (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>23;

(v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>22; or

25 (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

The above nucleotide sequences may encode the amino acid sequence of the naturally occurring molecule or a modified form such as resulting from site directed mutagenesis,

30 random mutagenesis as well as naturally occurring mutant forms.

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Another aspect of the present invention provides an isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding or complementary to a sequence encoding a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase from *Citrobacter brakii*.

5 Preferably, the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises an amino acid sequence substantially as set forth in <400>21 or an amino acid sequence having at least about 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment.

10 Preferably, the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase is encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>20 or a nucleotide sequence having at least about 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>20 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

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20 The present invention is further described by the following non-limiting Examples.

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EXAMPLE 1

Bacterial cultures

Bicistronic plasmids for expression of P450s and NADPH-P450 reductase were
5 constructed as previously described (Parikh *et al.*, 1997). P450 2A6, P450 2C19, P450
2D6, and the wild type and allelic variants of P450 2C9, were prepared using similar
methods. P450 1B1 is described by Shimada *et al.*, 1998. General schemes for the
construction of plasmids for P450's 2A6, 2C19 and 2C9 are shown in Figures 1A, B and
C, respectively.

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Expression was done using TB media fortified with IPTG and δ -aminolevulinic acid
(Gillam *et al.*, 1993; Gillam *et al.*, 1995). Bacterial membranes were prepared and
incubated as described (Gillam *et al.*, 1993, Parikh *et al.*, 1997, Shimada *et al.*, 1998,
Gillam *et al.*, 1997).

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The nucleotide and corresponding amino acid sequences of P450 2A6, P450 2C19, P450
2C9 and P450 cin are provided in the sequence listing (see Table 1 for a summary)
together with the associated proteins, hNPR and flavodoxin.

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EXAMPLE 2

Observation of blue cultures

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Blue pigment was seen in cultures co-expressing P450s with NPR. Initial TLC and visible
spectroscopy with human, rat and mouse P450 2E1 systems yielded evidence for indigo
25 production. The production of colour by P450 2A6 cultures was IPTG induction-dependent
(Figure 2).

EXAMPLE 3

Isolation and characterization of pigments formed in bacterial cultures

A 1 litre culture of P450 2A6 was grown for 48 hr at 29°C. Centrifugation (at 200 x g for 1 min) yielded a dark blue pellet, which was collected and washed 5 times with H₂O (suspension and recentrifugation each time). The material was suspended in 10 ml of *N,N*-dimethylformamide and subjected to repeated sonication with a microprobe. CHCl₃ (100 ml) was added and the solution was washed five times with an equal volume of H₂O. The CHCl₃ layer was dried with Na₂SO₄ and filtered through paper (A₆₀₀=0.46, volume=156 ml). The material was concentrated at 50°C *in vacuo* to a low volume, which was streaked on a 1 mm x 20 cm x 20 cm silica gel G TLC plate. The plate was developed with CHCl₃-CH₃OH/50-1 v/v (Figure 3). Individual coloured bands were excised and extracted first with CHCl₃-CH₃OH 1-1 v/v and then with acetone, followed by centrifugation and concentration under N₂.

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The extracellular pigment produced in a P450 2A6 culture was separated into four components, two blue and two pink/purple (Figure 3). Mass spectrometry yielded an apparent MH⁺ ion at *m/z* 263 for compounds 1, 2 and 4, indicating a molecular mass of 262. The visible spectra of components 2 and 4 (Figure 4, λ_{max} 603 nm and 552 nm, respectively) match the literature for indigo and indirubin, respectively (Laatsch and Ludwig-Kühn, 1986; Friedmann *et al.*, 1950; Fearon and Boggust, 1950), which both have molecular weights of 262. A definitive MH⁺ for compound 3 was not apparent, and the visible spectra did not match those of compound 2 or 4.

25 ¹H NMR of compounds 2 and 4 provided further support for the assignment of these as indirubin and indigo (Hart *et al.*, 1992), respectively, particularly the 2-D spectra (Figures 5 and 6). The symmetric indigo structure is obvious, while indirubin shows the expected asymmetry.

30 UV-visible spectra were recorded in CHCl₃ using a Cary14/OLIS spectrophotometer (On-Line Instrument Systems, Bogart, GA). NMR spectra were recorded in d₆-Me₂SO at 298 K

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using Bruker AM-400 and AM-500 instruments (Bruker, Billerica, MA). Mass spectra were obtained in the positive ion mode using a Finnigan 7000 (Finnigan, Sunnyvale, CA) electrospray instrument, either by loop injection or by introduction following elution from a 2.1 x 150 mm Zorbax C8 column with a gradient of CH₃OH increasing from 4.5 to 81%
5 v/v over 32 min in 0.1% w/v aqueous HCO₂H.

EXAMPLE 4

Assay of pigment production in vitro

10 Bacterial membranes containing recombinant human P450 (0.2 μ M except P450 2D6 (0.05 μ M) and P450 1A1 (0.1 μ M)) and NADPH-P450 reductase and human liver microsomes (0.2 μ M P450) were prepared and incubated with indole (5 mM) under conditions supporting P450 catalysis (100 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.4; 1 mM NADPH, 2.5mM glucose-6-phosphate, 0.5 U/ml glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase). The P450s most efficient in the
15 production of the blue pigment co-migrating with indigo on TLC were 2A6>2C19~2E1 (Figure 7). However, lower amounts of other pigments were seen with most forms.

In order to estimate the relative production of pigments by different recombinant P450 forms expressed in bicistronic format with hNPR, bacterial membranes containing
20 recombinant P450 enzymes and human NADPH-P450 reductase (0.2 μ M P450) and human liver microsomes (0.04 μ M P450), were incubated with 0.8 mM indole in the presence of an NADPH generating system as described above. Three preparations of bacterial membranes containing recombinant P450 2C19 and hNPR were tested corresponding to different levels of apparent pigment production during bacterial culture
25 (1>2, 3). Bacterial membranes from cells transformed with the empty pCW vector or expressing recombinant hNPR alone were also included as minus-enzyme controls at protein concentrations equivalent to the mean of the protein concentrations in recombinant P450 incubations. Reactions were stopped at 0 (t=0 controls) or 30 mins by the addition of an equal volume of 1% w/v SDS and absorbance was measured at 665 nm (shown in
30 preliminary studies to be the maximal wavelength for pigments produced by recombinant P450 2A6 when dissolved in the 0.5% w/v SDS milieu of quenched incubations). Figuyre

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8 shows that significant pigment production was seen with a range of recombinant P450 preparations.

EXAMPLE 5

5 *Further analysis of products of indole metabolism*

In order to characterize the full range of products formed from indole, bacterial membranes containing recombinant P450 enzymes and human NADPH-P450 reductase, and rat and human liver microsomes (0.2 μ M P450), were incubated with 5 mM indole under 10 conditions supporting P450 catalysis (100 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.4; 1 mM NADPH, 2.5 mM glucose-6-phosphate, 0.5 U/ml glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase). Products formed were extracted with methyl-t-butyl ether, desiccated and resuspended in 15% v/v acetonitrile: 85% v/v 50 mM potassium phosphate, pH 7.4, then subjected to high 15 performance liquid chromatography using a 150 x 3.9 mm Waters C8 Symmetry reverse phase column and eluted at 1 ml/min with the following gradient: 0-15 mins 15% v/v acetonitrile, 85% v/v 50 mM potassium phosphate, pH 7.4; 15-30 mins 15% to 30% v/v acetonitrile gradient; 30-35 mins 30% v/v to 15% v/v acetonitrile; 35 to 45 mins isocratic at 15% v/v acetonitrile. Under these conditions, isatin eluted at 7 mins and indole at 35 mins. Other peaks, which were later identified by mass spectrometry as dioxindole and 20 oxindole, eluted at 4.05 and 10.13 mins, respectively. Additional metabolite peaks eluting at times indicated in Table 3 below were not identified but relative yields were compared among incubations containing different P450 enzymes.

TABLE 3
Comparison of metabolite production from indole in incubations with various cytochrome p450 preparations

Peak retention time	Assignment	Relative metabolite formation <i>in vitro</i> (arbitrary units of peak area) ^a											
		hNPR only	2C19	1A2	1A1	2C9	2A6	2D6	2E1	1B1	3A4	3A5	HL
3.66		0.0	0.0	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4.05	dioxindole	4.3	9.1	1.7	2.9	13.6	9.2	6.5	7.3	7.7	6.9	5.0	0.2
4.52		0.0	2.5	0.9	0.0	0.5	0.8	0.0	1.2	0.8	0.5	0.0	0.0
5.63		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
7.37	isatin	5.9	43.5	14.9	3.5	23.1	47.9	19.8	44.0	17.2	10.9	5.7	13.9
8.03		1.0	6.2	7.2	1.2	1.6	1.0	1.2	0.8	0.9	0.6	1.2	2.1
8.9		0.0	8.5	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
10.13	oxindole	2.4	46.5	6.8	5.1	28.9	52.1	16.8	37.8	6.9	8.1	5.4	14.9
12.56		0.0	2.1	1.2	0.0	0.9	1.4	0.9	1.4	4.8	2.3	1.9	0.6
15.77		0.0	3.6	2.7	0.4	1.5	1.0	1.4	2.2	0.6	0.2	0.7	1.7
25.89		0.4	6.1	0.0	0.0	2.8	10.8	0.9	3.8	2.8	0.9	0.9	0.6
26.71		0.3	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	0.5	0.4	0.0
30.23		5.4	68.9	19.2	5.9	16.8	27.9	9.2	45.6	24.9	19.2	10.5	8.0

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Peak retention time	Assignment	Relative metabolite formation <i>in vitro</i> (arbitrary units of peak area) ^a						
31.27		0.0	4.3	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.7	2.1
36.23		0.0	9.7	5.9	0.0	2.2	2.8	8.9
38.5		0.0	6.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7
39.25		3.4	15.2	5.1	5.0	6.8	11.9	3.9
40.4		2.1	15.5	3.6	4.6	7.4	8.9	2.2
								11.0
								6.5
								5.0
								6.3
								20.5

^a Relative metabolite production was compared by measuring integrated peak areas in HPLC chromatograms. Incubations contained the P450 forms indicated in bacterial membranes with co-expressed hNPR. "hNPR only" indicates incubations using bacterial membranes containing hNPR but no recombinant P450 (negative control). "HL" denotes incubations containing microsomes from a single human liver rather than recombinant enzymes. Results are the mean of two determinations.

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EXAMPLE 6

*Characterization of the metabolic pathway:identification of products generated
in vitro by recombinant bacterial membranes containing P450 2A6
and hNPR and by human liver microsomes*

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In order to define the primary and secondary metabolic pathways catalyzed by human P450 forms, indole (5 mM) was incubated with *E. coli* membranes containing P450 2A6 and hNPR for varying time periods (5-30 min) and the products were separated by HPLC using slight modifications (lower CH₃CN concentrations, larger size column - 10 x 250

10 mm, C₁₈ instead of C₈) of the methods described in Example 5. UV spectra were measured on-line using a Thermo-Separations UV6000 rapid scanning spectrophotometer (Thermo-Separations, Piscataway, NJ, USA). Under these conditions, the substrate indole was eluted at 29.4 min (identified by co-chromatography with an external standard and mass spectrum, MH⁺ at *m/z* 118). Five of the product peaks eluted earlier and were identified by

15 their spectral properties:

Dioxindole: *t_R* 7.5 min, UV λ_{max} 210 nm, 254 nm, 295 nm and spectrum identical to that published by Ward (1923) and Conforth *et al.* (1951). The product of Na₂S₂O₄ reduction of isatin (Sumpter, 1945) yielded the same compound as judged by HPLC *t_R* and UV

20 spectrum.

Isatin: *t_R* 12.6 min, UV λ_{max} 244 nm, 305 nm. *t_R* and spectrum identical to commercial product (Aldrich) and products reported by Julian and Printy (1953) and Ward (1923). Mass spectrometry: *m/z* 148 (MH⁺).

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Indoxyl: *t_R* 14.7 min, UV λ_{max} 239 nm. *t_R* and UV spectra identical to material generated by reaction of commercial indoxy-3-acetate and hog liver esterase (Sigma). Mass spectrometry: *m/z* 134 (MH⁺).

30 *Oxindole*: *t_R* 18.2 min, UV λ_{max} 203 nm, 248 nm, both the same as commercial material (Cornforth *et al.*, 1951; Barth *et al.*, 1972). Mass spectrometry: *m/z* 134 (MH⁺). NMR

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(CDCl₃) δ 3.56 (s, 2H, H-1), 6.88 (d, 1H, H-4 or H-7), 7.04(t, 1H, H-5 or H-6), 7.24(t, 1H, H-5 or H-6), 7.27 (d, 1H, H-4 or H-7), 7.53 (bs, 1H, NH).

6-Hydroxyindole: *t_R* 20.3 min, UV λ_{max} 218 nm, 293 nm. Spectrum identical to literature
5 (Armerego, 1971; Stoll *et al.*, 1955). Mass spectrometry: *m/z* 134 (MH⁺).

No peaks produced by recombinant P450 2A6 or human liver microsomes corresponded to
4- or 5-hydroxyindole (commercial samples; Sigma), as judged by *t_R* and UV spectra.

10 The time course for production of the major products from indole is presented in Figure 9. At each indicated time point, a reaction aliquot was withdrawn and extracted into CH₂Cl₂ to stop the reaction. Products (CH₂Cl₂ phase) were concentrated and analyzed by HPLC, with the amount of product expressed on the basis of A₂₂₀ units. Indoxyl was detected only in the early portion of the experiment. The production of indigo, as estimated by the A₆₁₅
15 in the combined CH₂Cl₂ extract and a fraction prepared from the residual aqueous phase by adding two volumes of dimethylformamide, showed a lag but began within 2 min. The time courses of indoxyl and indigo appear to be related.

Oxindole appears to be the major primary oxidation product of indole formed by P450
20 2A6. The concentration of indole was varied in 2 min incubations with membranes containing P450 2A6 and hNPR. The parameters $k_{\text{cat}} = 6.9 (\pm 0.6) \text{ min}^{-1}$ and $K_m 122 (\pm 30) \mu\text{M}$ were determined.

When isatin was used as the substrate in similar incubations, it was rapidly reduced to
25 dioxindole in the P450 2A6 system (only product). Subsequent experiments with purified hNPR showed that this enzyme catalyzed the reduction efficiently itself and the P450 2A6 did not seem to play a major role. The rate of reduction measured (with 1 mM isatin) was 290 min⁻¹.

30 Oxindole (1 mM) was stable when added to the typical P450 2A6/hNPR membrane system; no significant product formation was observed.

These results support the scheme of indole metabolism in P450 2A6/hNPR/NADPH systems and in NADPH-fortified human and rat liver microsomes follows the general features shown in Figure 10.

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EXAMPLE 7***Bacterial P450 monooxygenase***

Similar experiments as those described above were conducted using a cytochrome P450 10 monooxygenase from *Citrobacter brakii*, designated P450 cin. The nucleotide and corresponding amino acid sequences are shown in <400>20 and <400>21, respectively. Bicistronic constructs were prepared with the associated protein being flavodoxin (<400>22 and <400>23). Again, bacterial culture medium turned blue and data indicated the presence of indigo.

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EXAMPLE 8***Characterization of the potential of P450 forms to catalyze indoxyl oxidation***

Whereas the preceding experiments had provided evidence that various P450 forms could 20 catalyse the monooxygenation of indole to indoxyl and that this could lead to the formation of indigo and related compounds, it was of interest to determine whether multiple steps along the pathway leading to indigo could be catalysed by the cytochrome P450 system. In previous systems characterized in regard to indigo generation, the oxidation of indoxyl was considered to occur spontaneously in aerobic conditions. However, the experiments 25 outlined above were undertaken in a reducing environment (e.g. 1 mM NADPH in the *in vitro* experiments), raising the possibility that spontaneous oxidation may not be the sole mechanism by which two indoxyl monomers were transformed into one molecule of indigo. The object of the following experiments was to determine whether the P450 enzyme system could catalyse steps in the pathway leading to indigo subsequent to the 30 initial oxidation of indole.

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Bacterial membranes containing 0.1 μ M P450 recombinant P450 2E1 and human NADPH-P450 reductase were incubated with an indoxyl generating system (0.5 mM indoxyl acetate and 50 Units porcine liver esterase [Sigma Chemical Company, Castle Hill, Australia] under conditions supporting P450 catalysis (100 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.4; 1 mM NADPH, 5 2.5 mM glucose-6-phosphate, 0.5 U/ml glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase). Reactions were started by the addition of the NADPH generating system and esterase and incubated at 37°C in a thermostatically controlled cell compartment of a Beckman DU640 UV-Vis spectrophotometer. Indigo production was monitored by absorbance at 602 nm.

10 Two different preparations of membranes containing recombinant P450 2E1 and hNPR were tested, differing in the ratio of P450 to reductase (1:1.5 in preparation 1 and 1:0.95 in Preparation 2 in Table 4 below). Three different negative controls were used: incubations carried out in the absence of bacterial membranes; incubations carried out with bacterial membranes containing neither P450 nor hNPR, matched for protein concentration to the 15 full incubations; and incubations containing bacterial membranes containing only hNPR (no P450), matched to the hNPR concentration in full incubations. Table 4 shows that incubations containing P450 2E1 showed elevated indigo production compared to all three controls. While the mean rate of indigo production in the first negative control (no bacterial membranes) was constant between the two sets of assays and rates for the other 20 negative controls were similar. Incubations containing Preparation 2 showed a markedly higher rate of catalysis of indigo formation compared to Preparation 1, a difference that may be due to the different P450 2E1:hNPR ratios in the two preparations.

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TABLE 4
Indigo production in incubation with recombinant P450 2E1 using
an indoxyl generating system

Incubation	Rate of Indigo production (Absorbance units/min) ^a	Fold increase over highest control
P450 2E1/hNPR – Preparation 1	0.028 +/-0.002	1.8
No membranes	0.006 +/-0.001	
Bacterial membranes containing no P450 2E1 or hNPR	0.013 +/-0.002	
Bacterial membranes containing hNPR only	0.016 +/-0.001	
P450 2E1/hNPR – Preparation 2	0.040 +/-0.007	3.1
No membranes	0.006 +/-0.001	
Bacterial membranes containing no P450 2E1 or hNPR	0.013 +/-0.001	
Bacterial membranes containing hNPR only	0.013 +/-0.001	

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^a Values represent the mean +/- standard deviation of three independent measurements.

These results support the scheme of indigo and indirubin production catalyzed by P450
10 2A6/hNPR/NADPH systems in in NADPH-fortified human and rat liver microsomes as
shown in Figure 11.

EXAMPLE 9

Construction of vectors for transient expression of recombinant human cytochrome P450 and reductase in plant tissue

5 Plant vectors containing the recombinant human cDNAs were prepared by subcloning the cDNAs for cytochrome P450 forms and hNPR into the vectors pGTVa (containing the 35S promoter) and p2.5GEM-11 (containing the AIM-1 promoter) using the strategies outlined in Figure 12. Briefly, cDNA sequences for human cytochrome P450 forms and hNPR, which had been modified at the 5' end of the coding sequences to enhance expression in
10 bacteria, were further modified to enhance expression in the eukaryotic (plant) system. This was effected by PCR-based oligonucleotide-directed mutagenesis of a short segment of the 5' coding sequence of the cDNA. Mutagenic primers were also designed to incorporate a restriction site to enable subcloning into the cognate vector and a ribosomal binding site sequence upstream of the translation start site (initial ATG codon). The
15 resultant PCR-amplified DNA fragments were digested with appropriate restriction endonucleases and ligated into pGTVa or p2.5GEM-11 together with fragments encoding the remainder of the respective human cDNAs.

Table 5 shows alignments of approximately the first thirty nucleotides encoding
20 cytochrome P450 2AE6, P450 2C19 and P450 2E1 monooxygenases, which highlight the differences required for expression in bacterial relative to the native eukaryotic sequence for use in plant cells.

TABLE 5
 5' nucleotide sequence alignments of P450 and hNPR cDNAs: Comparison of sequences used for expression of bacterial and plant cells compared to native sequences

P450 2A6 cDNA

P450 2C19 cDNA

continued:

	native	<i>E. coli</i>	Plant
CTGGCCCCACTCCTCTCCAGTGATTGGAAATATCCTACAGATAGATATAA	ctggccctactccctccaggatggaaatatccctacagatagatataa	ctggccctactccctccaggatggaaatatccctacacatacgatataa	

P450 2E1 cDNA

hnPR CDNA

native	atggagactccacgtggacaccaggctccaccgtgtcccgaggccggatcttttagcatggacatgtttctgt
E. coli	atggctgactccacgtggacaccaggctccaccgtgtcccgaggccggatcttttagcatggacatgtttctgt
plant	atggagactccacgtggacaccaggctccaccgtgtcccgaggccggatcttttagcatggacatgtttctgt

EXAMPLE 10***Bombardment of plant tissue with genetic material encoding a human P450 enzyme and/or human reductase to effect transient expression of a functional recombinant cytochrome P450 system***

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The aim of these experiments is to transiently express a human P450 enzyme with or without human NADPH-P450 reductase (hNPR) in a white flower petal, namely petunia and to determine whether expression could be detected by the visible production of a blue pigment in plant tissue, namely indigo. A secondary aim is to determine whether indigo 10 production might be enhanced by supplementation with low concentrations of indole.

The gene bombardment protocol is initially optimised using the reporter vector pGTVa-GUS. GUS expression is assayed using the method described by Jefferson *et al.*, (1992). Efficiency of the transformation is measured by the mean number of blue spots per petal 15 bombardment. The parameters examined during these initial optimisation experiments are target distance, bombardment pressure and petal developmental stage.

Plasmid DNA is obtained from *E.coli* using a standard alkaline lysis procedure with and without additional procedures for purification of the resultant DNA (Sambrook *et al.*, 20 1989). The DNA is prepared for bombardment by combining various amounts of tungsten particle solution with DNA. After vortexing, the particles are precipitated with CaCl₂ and spermidine. After removing a portion of the supernatant, the tungsten suspension was vortexed and an aliquot removed for bombardment.

25 In this experiment, white petunia flowers are used for bombardment. Petunia plants having other colours may also be used. The device used for bombardment is the particle inflow gun developed by Finer *et al.*, (1992) which propels tungsten particles directly in a stream of helium towards the target. The petal is placed in a petri dish containing filterpaper moistened with either sterile water or a solution of indole or osmotic medium (with or 30 without indole). Each petal preparation is bombarded with one of:-

(a) vector containing a P450 cDNA alone; or

(b) vector containing a P450 cDNA plus vector containing the hNPR cDNA; or

(c) vector containing the GUS control cDNA.

5 In some cases the vector containing the GUS control cDNA is bombarded simultaneously with either or both types of vector containing human-derived sequences.

10 The petal distance and helium pressure are as found optimal in the initial optimization experiments. A negative control containing tungsten particles only is included for both the water and indole petal samples.

15 The success of the bombardment is analyzed by the presence of blue spots after overnight incubation of the bombarded petal in either water or indole solution or osmotic medium (indicating *in situ* production of indigo).

20 Different shades of colours are proposed to be obtainable using different coloured recipient plants for the genetic material encoding the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase/associated protein of the present invention. Accordingly, plants having coloured flowers such as red, blue, yellow, orange, purple, pink, spotted and/or mottled are selected as recipients of the subject genetic material. Various colour combinations are expected which greatly enhances

25 the variety of colour phenotypes resulting from the use of the instant genetic constructs.

EXAMPLE 11

Introduction of genetic mutant encoding P450 monooxygenase to cells of non-white plant

20 Different shades of colours are proposed to be obtainable using different coloured recipient plants for the genetic material encoding the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase/associated protein of the present invention. Accordingly, plants having coloured flowers such as red, blue, yellow, orange, purple, pink, spotted and/or mottled are selected as recipients of the subject genetic material. Various colour combinations are expected which greatly enhances

25 the variety of colour phenotypes resulting from the use of the instant genetic constructs.

EXAMPLE 12

Transformation procedures

30 Yeast strains are transformed with genetic material according to Ito *et al.*, (1990). Genetic material is introduced into the *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* strain AGL0 by adding 5 µg of plasmid DNA to 100 µl of competent AGL0 cells prepared by inoculating a 50 ml culture

of MG/L (Garfinkel and Nester, 1980). These are cultured and grown for 16 hours with shaking at 28°C. The cells are then pelleted and resuspended in 0.5 ml of 85% v/v 100 mM CaCl₂/15% v/v glycerol. The DNA-*Agrobacterium* mixture is frozen by incubation in liquid N₂ for 2 minutes and then allowed to thaw by incubation at 37°C for 5 minutes. The 5 DNA/bacterial mix is then placed on ice for a further 10 minutes. The cells are then mixed with 1 ml of LB (Sambrook *et al.*, 1989) media and incubated with shaking for 16 hours at 28°C. Cells of *A. tumefaciens* carrying genetic material are selected on LB agar plates containing 10 µg/ml gentamycin or other suitable selection such as another antibiotic or a herbicide. The presence of genetic material is confirmed by Southern analysis of DNA 10 isolated from the gentamycin-resistant transformants or any other selectable molecule such as another antibiotic or a herbicide.

***Petunia* transformations**

15 (a) *Plant Material*

Leaf tissue from mature plants is treated in 1.25% w/v sodium hypochlorite for 2 minutes and then rinsed three times in sterile water. The leaf tissue is then cut into 25 mm² squares and precultured on MS media (Murashige and Skoog, 1962) supplemented with 0.05 mg/l 20 kinetin and 1.0 mg/l 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid (2,4-D) for 24 hr.

(b) *Co-cultivation of Agrobacterium Tissue*

Agrobacterium tumefaciens strain AGL0 containing genetic material is maintained at 4°C 25 on MG/L agar plates with 100 mg/L gentamycin. A single colony is grown overnight in liquid medium containing 1% w/v Bacto-peptone, 0.5% w/v Bacto-yeast extract and 1% w/v NaCl. final concentration of 5 x 10⁸ cells/ml is prepared the next day by dilution in liquid MS medium containing B5 vitamins (Gamborg *et al.*, 1968) and 3% w/v sucrose (BPM). The leaf discs were dipped for 2 minutes into BPM containing AGL0/genetic 30 material. The leaf discs are then blotted dry and placed on co-cultivation media for 4 days. The co-cultivation medium consists of SH medium (Schenk and Hildebrandt, 1972) supplemented with 0.05 mg/l kinetin and 1.0 mg/l 2,4-D and included a feeder layer of

tobacco cell suspension spread over the co-cultivation medium with a filter paper placed on top of the tobacco cell suspension.

(c) *Recovery of transgenic plants*

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After co-cultivation, the leaf discs are transferred to a selection medium (MS medium supplemented with 3% w/v sucrose, α -benzylaminopurine (BAP) 2 mg/l, 0.5 mg/l α -naphthalene acetic acid (NAA), kanamycin 300 mg/l, 350 mg/L cefotaxime and 0.3% w/v Gelrite Gellan Gum (Schweizerhall)). Regenerating explants are transferred to fresh 10 selection medium after 4 weeks. Adventitious shoots which survive the kanamycin selection are isolated and transferred to BPM containing 100 mg/l kanamycin and 200 mg/l cefotaxime for root induction. All cultures are maintained under a 16 hour photoperiod (60 $\mu\text{mol. m}^{-2}, \text{s}^{-1}$ cool white fluorescent light) at $23 \pm 2^\circ\text{C}$. When roots reach 2-3 cm in length 15 the transgenic petunia plantlets are transferred to autoclaved Debco 51410/2 potting mix in 8 cm tubes. After 4 weeks, plants are replanted into 15 cm pots, using the same potting mix, and maintained at 23°C under a 14 hour photoperiod (300 $\mu\text{mol. m}^{-2}, \text{s}^{-1}$ mercury halide light).

EXAMPLE 13

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Transformation of Dianthus caryophyllus

(a) *Plant material*

Dianthus caryophyllus, (cv. Crowley Sim, Red Sim, Laguna) cuttings are used in this 25 experiment. The outer leaves are removed and the cuttings are sterilized briefly in 70% v/v ethanol followed by 1.25% w/v sodium hypochlorite (with Tween 20) for 6 minutes and rinsed three times with sterile water. All the visible leaves and axillary buds are removed under the dissecting microscope before co-cultivation.

(b) *Co-cultivation of Agrobacterium and Dianthus Tissue*

Agrobacterium tumefaciens strain AGL0 containing a genetic construct encoding a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase and optionally an associated protein as herein described
5 is maintained at 4 on MG/l (Garfinkel and Nester, 1980) agar plates with 100 mg/l gentamycin. A single colony is grown overnight in liquid MG/L broth and diluted to 5 x 10⁸ cells/ml the next day before inoculation. *Dianthus* tissue is co-cultivated with *Agrobacterium* on MS medium (Murashige and Skoog, 1962) supplemented with 3% w/v sucrose, 5 mg/l α -naphthalene acetic acid (NAA), 20 μ M acetosyringone and 0.8% w/v
10 Difco Bacto Agar (pH 5.7).

(c) *Recovery of Transgenic Dianthus Plants*

Co-cultivated tissue is transferred to MS medium supplemented with 1 mg/l
15 benzylaminopurine (BAP), 0.1 mg/l NAA, 150 mg/l kanamycin, 500 mg/l ticarcillin and 0.8% w/v Difco Bacto Agar (selection medium). After three weeks, explants are transferred to fresh selection medium and care is taken at this stage to remove axillary shoots from stem explants. After 6-8 weeks on selection medium, healthy adventitious
20 shoots are transferred to hormone free MS medium containing 3% w/v sucrose, 150 mg/l kanamycin, 500 mg/l ticarcillin, 0.8% w/v Difco Bacto Agar. At this stage, GUS histochemical assay (Jefferson, 1987) and/or NPT II dot-blot assay (McDonnell *et al.*, 1987) are used to identify transgenic shoots. Transgenic shoots are transferred to MS medium supplemented with 3% w/v sucrose, 500 mg/l ticarcillin and 0.4% w/v Gelrite
25 Gellan Gum (Schweizerhall) for root induction. All cultures are maintained under a 16 hour photoperiod (120 μ E cool white fluorescent light) at 23 \pm 2°C. When plants are rooted and reached 4-6 cm tall they are acclimatised under mist. A mix containing a high ratio of perlite (75% or greater) soaked in hydroponic mix (Kandreck and Black, 1984) is used for acclimation, which typically lasts 4-5 weeks. Plants are acclimatised at 23°C
under a 14 hour photoperiod (200 μ E mercury halide light).

EXAMPLE 14

*Transformation of Rosa hybrida*1. *Rosa hybrida* cv Royalty

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Plant tissues of the rose cultivar Royalty are transformed according to the method disclosed in PCT/AU91/04412, having publication number WO92/00371.

2. *Rosa hybrida* cv Kardinal10 (a) *Plant Material*

Kardinal shoots are used. Leaves are removed and the remaining shoots (5-6 cm) are sterilized in 1.25 % w/v sodium hypochlorite (with Tween 20) for 5 minutes followed by three rinses with sterile water. Isolated shoot tips are soaked in sterile water for 1 hr and 15 precultured for 2 days on MS medium containing 3% w/v sucrose, 0.1 mg/L BAP, 0.1 mg/l kinetin, 0.2 mg/l Gibberellic acid, 0.5% w/v polyvinyl pyrrolidone and 0.25% w/v Gelrite Gellan Gum, before co-cultivation.

20 (b) *Co-cultivation of Agrobacterium and Rosa shoot Tissue*

20 *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* strains ICMP 8317 (Janssen and Gardner, 1989) and AGL0, containing genetic constructs encoding a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase and optionally an NPR are maintained at 4°C on MG/L agar plates with 100 mg/L gentamycin. A single colony from each *Agrobacterium* strain is grown overnight in liquid MG/L broth. A final 25 concentration of 5×10^8 cells/ml is prepared the next day by dilution in liquid MG/L. Before inoculation, the two *Agrobacterium* cultures are mixed in a ratio of 10:1. A longitudinal cut is made through the shoot tip and an aliquot of 2 μ l of the mixed *Agrobacterium* cultures is placed as a drop on the shoot tip. The shoot tips are co-cultivated for 5 days on the same medium used for preculture.

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Agrobacterium tumefaciens strain AGL0 is maintained at 4°C on MG/L agar plates with 100 mg/L kanamycin. A single colony from each *Agrobacterium* strain is grown overnight

in liquid MG/L broth. A final concentration of 5×10^8 cells/ml is prepared the next day by dilution in liquid MG/L.

5 (c) *Recovery of Transgenic Rosa Plants*

After co-cultivation, the shoot tips are transferred to selection medium. Shoot tips are transferred to fresh selection medium every 3-4 weeks. Galls observed on the shoot tips are excised when they reached 6-8 mm in diameter. Isolated galls are transferred to MS medium containing 3% w/v sucrose, 25 mg/l kanamycin, 250 mg/l cefotaxime and 0.25% w/v Gelrite Gellan Gum for shoot formation. Shoots regenerated from gall tissue are isolated and transferred to selection medium. GUS histochemical assay and callus assay are used to identify transgenic shoots. Transgenic shoots are transferred to MS medium containing 3% w/v sucrose, 200 mg/l cefotaxime and 0.25% w/v Gelrite Gellan Gum for root induction. All cultures are maintained under 16 hour photoperiod (60 μ E cool white fluorescent light) at $23 \pm 2^\circ\text{C}$. When the root system is well developed and the shoot reached 5-7 cm in length the transgenic rose plants are transferred to autoclaved Debco 514110/2 potting mix in 8 cm tubes. After 2-3 weeks plants are replanted into 15 cm pots using the same potting mix and maintained at 23°C under a 14 hour photoperiod (300 μ E mercury halide light). After 1-2 weeks potted plants are moved to glasshouse (Day/Night 10 temperature : $25-28^\circ\text{C}/14^\circ\text{C}$) and grown to flowering.

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EXAMPLE 15

Transformation of Chrysanthemum morifolium

25 (a) *Plant Material*

Chrysanthemum morifolium (cv. Blue Ridge, Pennine Chorus) cuttings are obtained. Leaves are removed from the cuttings, which were then sterilized briefly in 70% v/v ethanol followed by 1.25% w/v sodium hypochlorite (with Tween 20) for 3 minutes and 30 rinsed three times with sterile water. Internodal stem sections are used for co-cultivation.

(b) *Co-cultivation of Agrobacterium and Chrysanthemum Tissue*

Agrobacterium tumefaciens strain LBA4404 (Hoekema *et al.*, 1983), containing is grown on MG/l agar plates containing 50 mg/l rifampicin and 10 mg/l gentamycin. A single colony from each *Agrobacterium* is grown overnight in the same liquid medium. These liquid cultures are made 10% v/v with glycerol and 1 ml aliquots transferred to the freezer (-80°C). A 100-200 µl aliquot of each frozen *Agrobacterium* is grown overnight in liquid MG/l containing 50 mg/l rifampicin and 10 mg/l gentamycin. A final concentration of 5 x 10⁸ cells/ml is prepared the next day by dilution in liquid MS containing 3% w/v sucrose.

10 Stem sections are co-cultivated with *Agrobacterium* in co-cultivation medium for 4 days.

(c) *Recovery of Transgenic Chrysanthemum Plants*

After co-cultivation, the stem sections were transferred to selection medium. After 3-4 weeks, regenerating explants are transferred to fresh medium. Adventitious shoots which survive the kanamycin selection are isolated and transferred to MS medium containing kanamycin and cefotaxime for shoot elongation and root induction. All cultures are maintained under a 16 hour photoperiod (80 µE cool white fluorescent light) at 23 ± 2°C. Leaf samples are collected from plants which rooted on kanamycin and Southern blot analysis is used to identify transgenic plants. When transgenic chrysanthemum plants reach 4-5 cm in length, they are transferred to autoclaved Debco 51410/2 potting mix in 8 cm tubes. After 2 weeks, plants are replanted into 15 cm pots using the same potting mix and maintained at 23°C under a 14 hour photoperiod (300 µE mercury halide light). After 2 weeks potted plants are moved to glasshouse (Day/Night temperature : 25-28°C/14°C) and 25 grown to flowering.

EXAMPLE 16*Transgenic plant phenotype analysis*

30 The analysis of transgenic plant phenotypes in relation to changes in flower or plant tissue colour is dependent on the recipient plants. For example, where genetic material is introduced into plants having white flowers, plant flower colour is determined using colour

codes taken from the Royal Horticultural Society's Colour Chart (RHSCC). This provides one means by which to describe the colour phenotypes observed. The determination of designated numbers, however, should be taken only as a guide to the perceived colours and should not be regarded as limiting the possible colours which may be obtained.

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Where a recipient plant comprises non-white flowers, a colour change may be assessed *inter alia* with respect to colour *per se*, uniformity of colour, colour distribution as well as chemically such as by analysing possible combinations of indigo or its derivatives or precursors and endogenous pigment molecules (e.g. flavonoid compounds).

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Those skilled in the art will appreciate that the invention described herein is susceptible to variations and modifications other than those specifically described. It is to be understood that the invention includes all such variations and modifications. The invention also includes all of the steps, features, compositions and compounds referred to or indicated in 15 this specification, individually or collectively, and any and all combinations of any two or more of said steps or features.

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CLAIMS

1. Use of genetic material encoding a cytochrome P450 protein or a functional derivative or homologue thereof in the generation of a genetically modified cell, which cell has the capacity to produce a pigment in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof upon expression of said genetic material.
2. Use according to Claim 1 wherein the genetic material, encoding the cytochrome P450 protein or its functional derivative or homologue, is co-expressed with genetic material encoding an associated protein.
3. Use according to Claim 2 wherein the genetic material encoding an associated protein is introduced into the cell.
4. Use according to Claim 2 wherein the genetic material encoding an associated protein is indigenous to the cell.
5. Use according to Claim 2 or 3 or 4 wherein the associated protein selected from a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase and/or a cytochrome b_5 and/or a flavodoxin or a functional derivative or homologue of either molecule.
6. Use according to Claim 1 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is of mammalian origin.
7. Use according to Claim 1 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is of microbial origin.
8. Use according to Claim 6 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome P450 monooxygenase.
9. Use according to Claim 8 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 2A6 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>17 or a nucleotide

sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>17 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

10. Use according to Claim 8 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 2E1 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>18 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>18 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

11. Use according to Claim 8 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 2C19 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>19 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>19 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

12. Use according to Claim 8 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 c11 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>20 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>20 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

13. Use according to any one of the preceding claims wherein the genetically modified cell is of plant origin.

14. Use according to any one of Claims 1 to 12 wherein the genetically modified cell is of microbial origin.

15. A method of inducing a colour change in a plant or part of a plant, said method comprising introducing into plant cells a genetic construct encoding a cytochrome P450 protein or a functional derivative or homologue thereof, regenerating a plant from said plant cells and subjecting said plant to appropriate conditions sufficient to permit

expression of a nucleotide sequence on said genetic construct which encodes said cytochrome P450 protein such that in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof said cytochrome P450 protein facilitates the conversion of indole or its precursor, analogue or derivative to an intermediate which is capable of oxidation to a pigment.

16. A method according to Claim 15 wherein the genetic construct encoding the cytochrome P450 protein is co-expressed with genetic material encoding an associated protein.

17. A method according to Claim 16 wherein the associated protein is selected from a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase and/or a cytochrome b₅ or a functional derivative or homologue of either molecule.

18. A method according to Claim 15 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is of mammalian origin.

19. A method according to Claim 15 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is of microbial origin.

20. A method according to Claim 15 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome P450 monooxygenase.

21. A method according to Claim 20 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 2A6 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>17 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>17 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

22. A method according to Claim 20 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 2E1 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>18 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide

sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>18 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

23. A method according to Claim 20 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 2C19 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>19 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>19 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

24. A method according to Claim 20 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 cin encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>20 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>20 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

25. A genetically modified cell or multicellular animal or plant or progeny thereof or parts of said transgenic plant or animal wherein said transgenic plant or animal comprises expressible genetic material encoding a microbial or mammalian cytochrome P450 protein.

26. A genetically modified cell or multicellular animal or plant or progeny or parts thereof according to Claim 25 wherein upon expression of said genetic material and in the presence of an associated protein and indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof, the indole or its precursor, analogue or derivative is converted to an intermediate which is capable of oxidation to a pigment.

27. A genetically modified cell according to Claim 25 or 26 wherein the cell is a microbial cell.

28. A transgenic plant or progeny or parts thereof comprising expressible genetic material encoding a microbial or mammalian cytochrome P450 monooxygenase such that upon expression of said genetic material and in the presence of an associated protein and indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof, the indole or its precursor, analogue

or derivative is converted to an intermediate which is capable of oxidation to a pigment.

29. A transfected or transformed cell, tissue, organ or non-cellular material which contains or is capable of producing cytochrome P450 protein or a functional derivative or homologue thereof.

30. A transfected or transformed cell, tissue, organ or non-cellular material according to Claim 29 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 2A6 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>17 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>17 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

31. A transfected or transformed cell, tissue, organ or non-cellular material according to Claim 29 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 2E1 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>18 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>18 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

32. A transfected or transformed cell, tissue, organ or non-cellular material according to Claim 29 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 2C19 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>19 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>19 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

33. A transfected or transformed cell, tissue, organ or non-cellular material according to Claim 29 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 c11 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>20 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>20 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

34. Flowers, parts of plants, fibrous material from plants, non-cellular material and reproductive portions of plants which are coloured or have the capacity to be coloured in

the presence of indole or a precursor thereof due to the presence of cytochrome P450 protein and an associated protein.

35. Flowers, parts of plants, fibrous material from plants, non-cellular material and reproductive portions of plants according to Claim 34 wherein the colour produced in the presence of indole requires an introduced or indigenous associated protein.

36. Use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises the amino acid sequence (F/P/W/L/Y)(G/S/C/N/H/E)X(G/D/A/E)X(R/H/S/K/T)XCX₁(G/A) wherein X is any amino acid and X₁ is selected from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and wherein where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a single position.

37. Use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises the amino acid sequence (F/L)(G/S)XGX(R/H)XCX₁(G/A) where X is any amino acid and X₁ is selected from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a single position.

38. Use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the

capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:-

- (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>8, <400>10 or <400>12;
- (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>7, <400>9 or <400>11;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);
- (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>2, <400>4 or <400>6;
- (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>1, <400>3 or <400>5; or
- (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

39. Use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the genetic sequence further comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding an NPR wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:-

- (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>14 and <400>16;

- (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>13 and <400>15;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);
- (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>14 and <400>16;
- (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>13 and <400>15; or
- (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

40. Use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:

- (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>21;
- (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>20;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);

- (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>21;
- (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>20; or
- (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

41. Use of a genetic sequence comprising a nucleotide sequence expressible in plant cells which encodes a cytochrome P450 monooxygenase in the generation of a transgenic plant or transformed cells of a plant which, upon expression of said nucleotide sequence, and in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue and/or derivative thereof, have the capacity to convert indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof to an intermediate which is oxidizable to a pigment wherein the genetic sequence further comprises a nucleotide sequence encoding an bacterial flavodoxin wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:

- (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>23;
- (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>22;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);
- (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>23;
- (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>22; or

(vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

42. Use of plant or plant material as a source of pigment for use, for example, in the dye or cosmetics industry or as commercial tags or as markers for transformation of microbial, plant or animal cells.

43. A genetic construct comprising a cistron encoding a microbial or mammalian cytochrome P450 protein for use in the generation of a transformed plant cell such that upon expression of said cistron, the cytochrome P450 facilitates conversion of indole or a precursor thereof to a molecule oxidizable to a pigment.

44. A genetic construct according to Claim 43 wherein the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises the amino acid sequence (F/P/W/L/Y)(G/S/C/N/H/E)X(G/D/A/E)X(R/H/S/K/T)XCX₁(G/A) wherein X is any amino acid and X₁ is selected from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and wherein where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a single position.

45. A genetic construct according to Claim 43 wherein the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises the amino acid sequence (F/L)(G/S)XGX(R/H)XCX₁(G/A) where X is any amino acid and X₁ is selected from V, M, A, L, I, P, F or T and where residues in parentheses represent alternatives at a single position.

46. A genetic construct according to Claim 43 or 44 or 45 comprising a nucleotide sequence selected from:-

(i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>8, <400>10, <400>12 or <400>21;

- (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>7, <400>9 or <400>11 or <400>20;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);
- (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>2, <400>4, <400>6 or <400>21;
- (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>1, <400>3, <400>5 or <400>20; or
- (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

47. A genetic construct according to Claim 43 or 44 or 45 or 46 further comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding an associated protein human NPR (hNPR) wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:-

- (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>16;
- (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400> 15;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);
- (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>14;

- (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>13; or
- (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

48. A genetic construct according to Claim 43 or 44 or 45 or 46 further comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding bacterial flavodoxin wherein the nucleotide sequence is selected from:-

- (i) a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>23;
- (ii) a nucleotide sequence defined by <400>22;
- (iii) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence in (i) or (ii);
- (iv) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence defined in <400>23;
- (v) a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity to a nucleotide sequence defined in <400>22; or
- (vi) a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing under low stringency conditions to a nucleotide sequence in one or more of (i), (ii), (iii), (iv) or (v).

49. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding or complementary to a sequence encoding a cytochrome P450 cin monooxygenase from *Citrobacter brakii*.

50. An isolated nucleic acid molecule according to Claim 49 wherein the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase comprises an amino acid sequence substantially as set forth in <400>21 or an amino acid sequence having at least about 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment.

51. An isolated nucleic acid molecule according to Claim 50 comprising a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>20 or a nucleotide sequence having at least about 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>20 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

52. A method of inducing a colour change in or by a microbial cell, said method comprising introducing into microbial cells a genetic construct encoding a cytochrome P450 protein or a functional derivative or homologue thereof, and subjecting said cells to appropriate conditions sufficient to permit expression of a nucleotide sequence on said genetic construct which encodes said cytochrome P450 protein such that in the presence of indole or a precursor, analogue or derivative thereof said cytochrome P450 protein facilitates the conversion of indole or its precursor, analogue or derivative to an intermediate which is capable of oxidation to a pigment.

53. A method according to Claim 52 wherein the genetic construct encoding the cytochrome P450 protein is co-expressed with genetic material encoding an associated protein.

54. A method according to Claim 53 wherein the associated protein is selected from a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome P450 reductase and/or a cytochrome b₅ and/or a flavodoxin or a functional derivative or homologue of either molecule.

55. A method according to Claim 52 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is of mammalian origin.

56. A method according to Claim 52 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is of microbial origin.

57. A method according to Claim 55 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is a co-enzyme-dependent cytochrome P450 monooxygenase.

58. A method according to Claim 57 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 2A6 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>17 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>17 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

59. A method according to Claim 57 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 2E1 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>18 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>18 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

60. A method according to Claim 57 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 2C19 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>19 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>19 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

61. A method according to Claim 57 wherein the cytochrome P450 protein is P450 c11 encoded by a nucleotide sequence substantially as set forth in <400>20 or a nucleotide sequence having at least 50% similarity thereto after optimal alignment or a nucleotide sequence capable of hybridizing to <400>20 or its complementary form under low stringency conditions.

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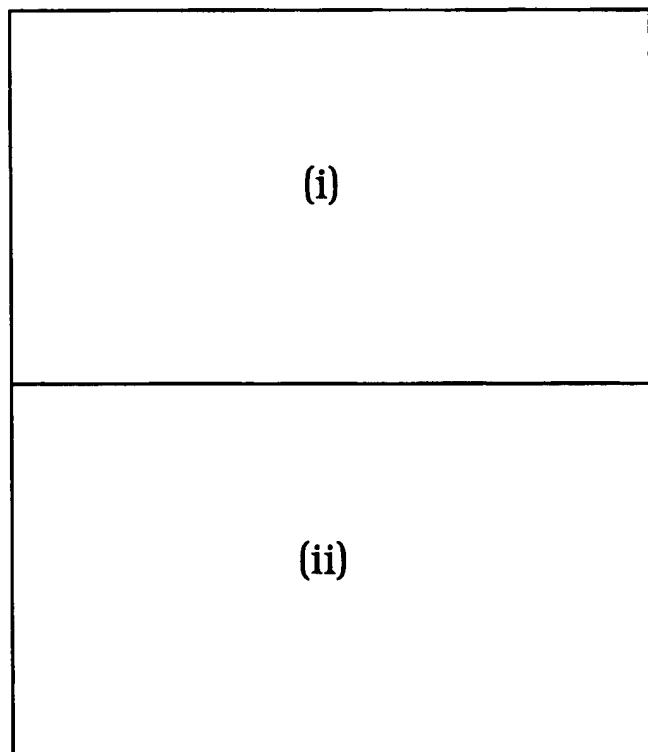
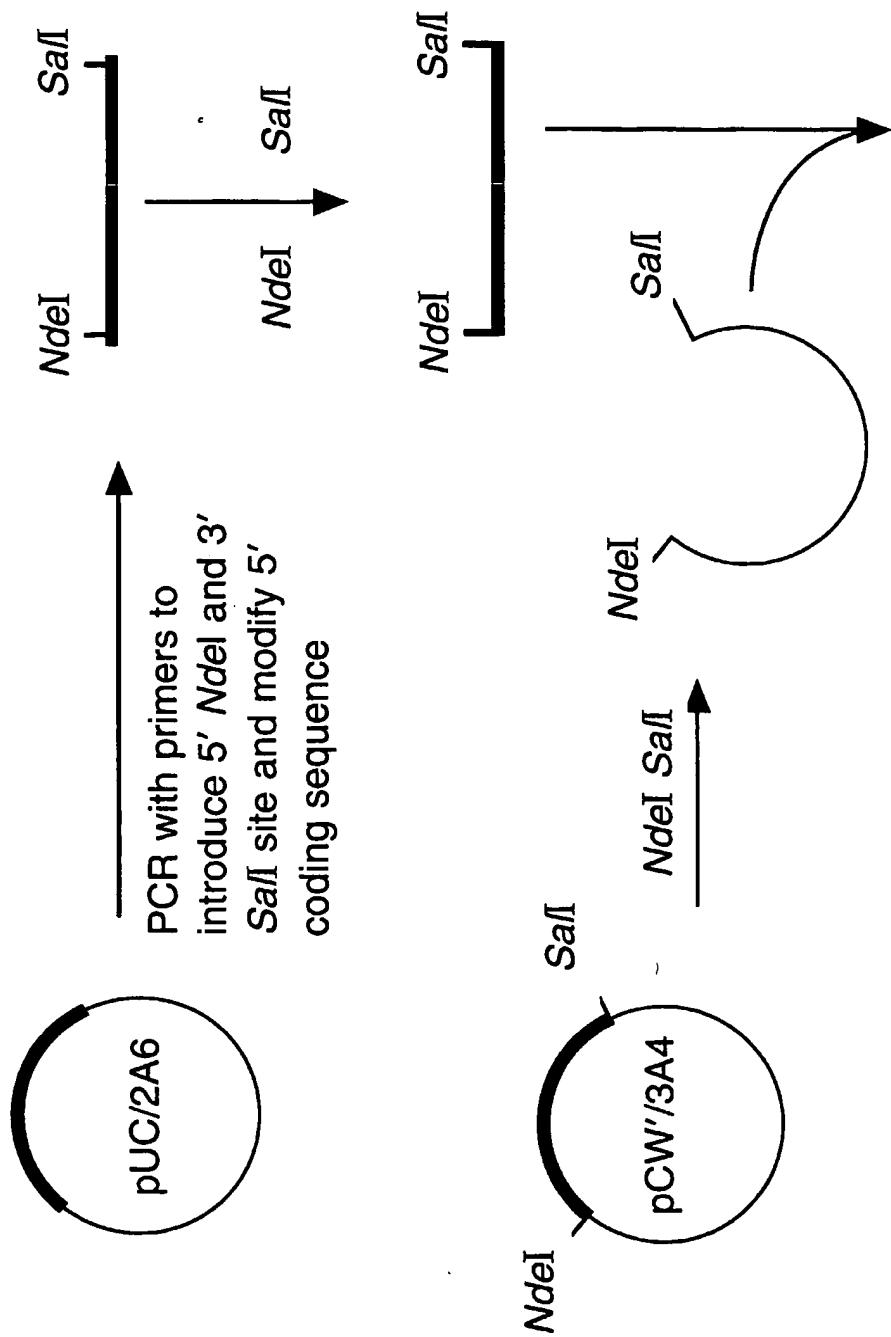


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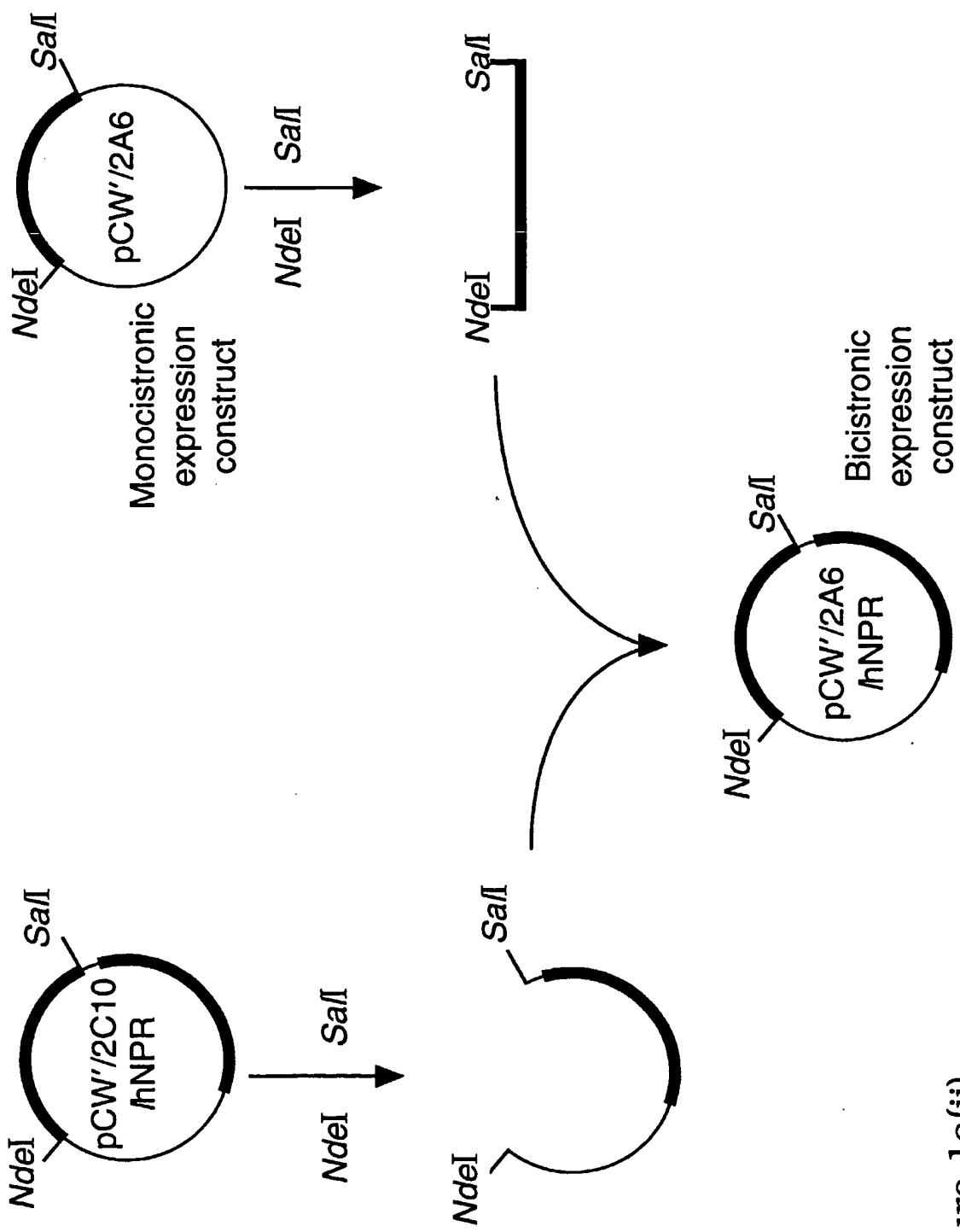


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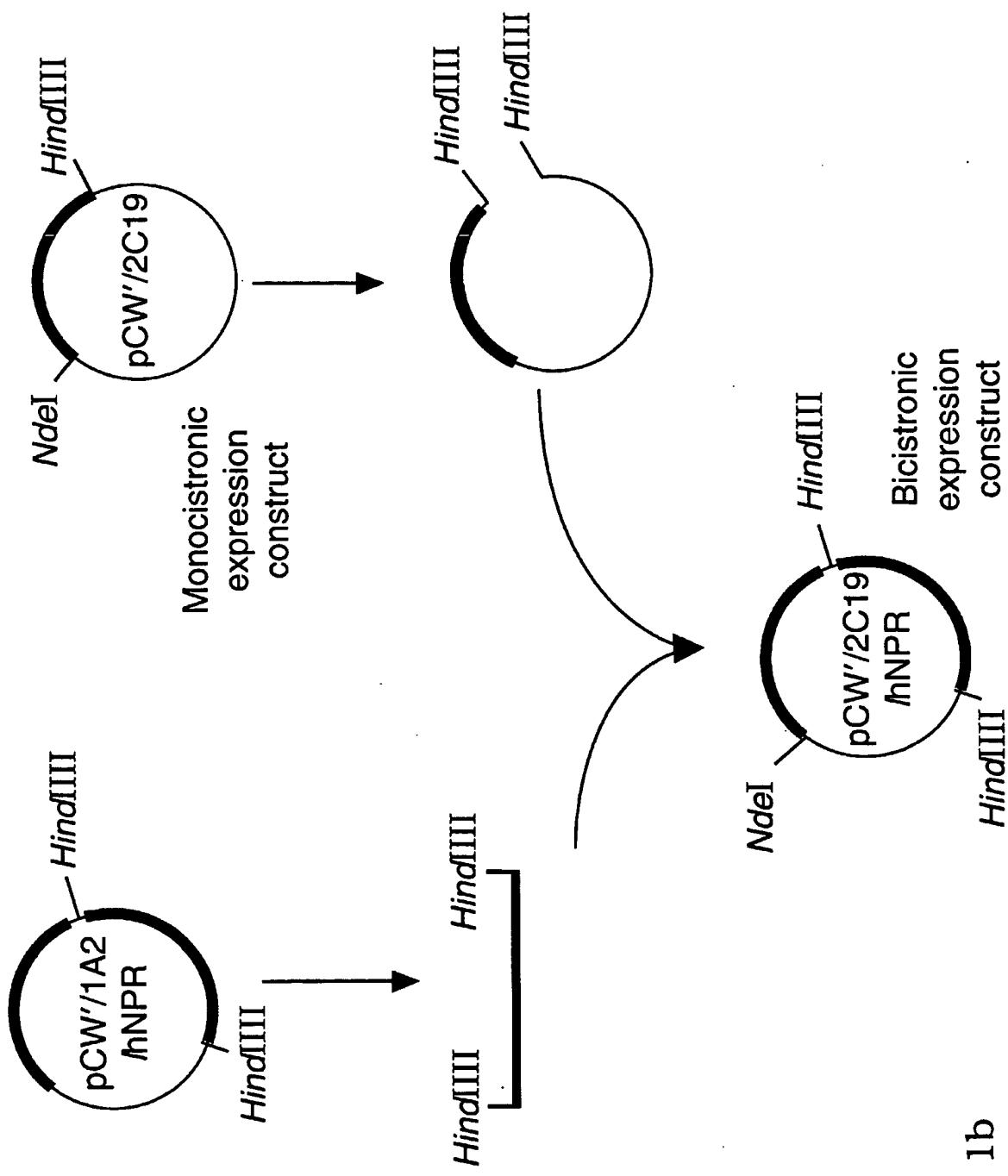
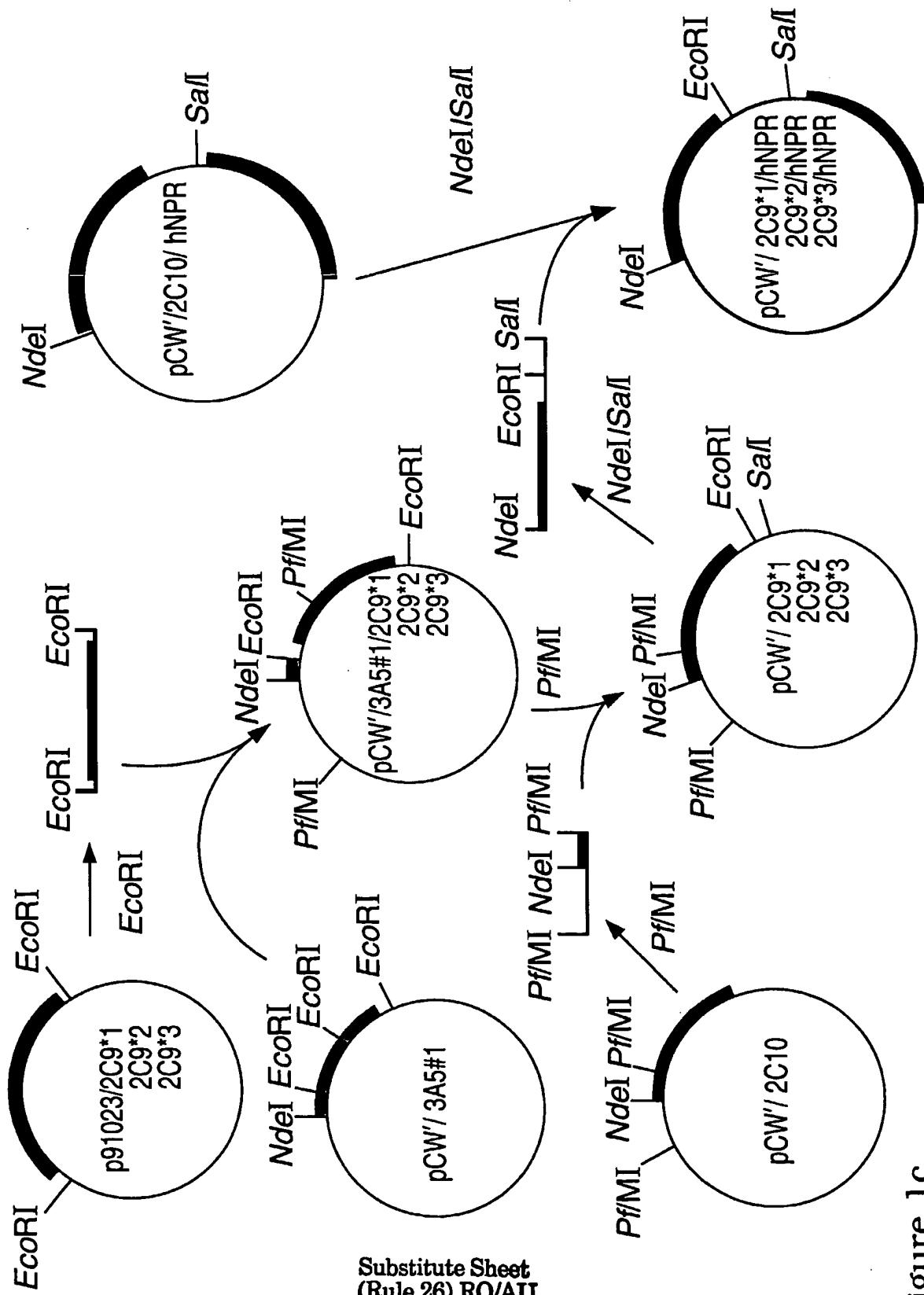
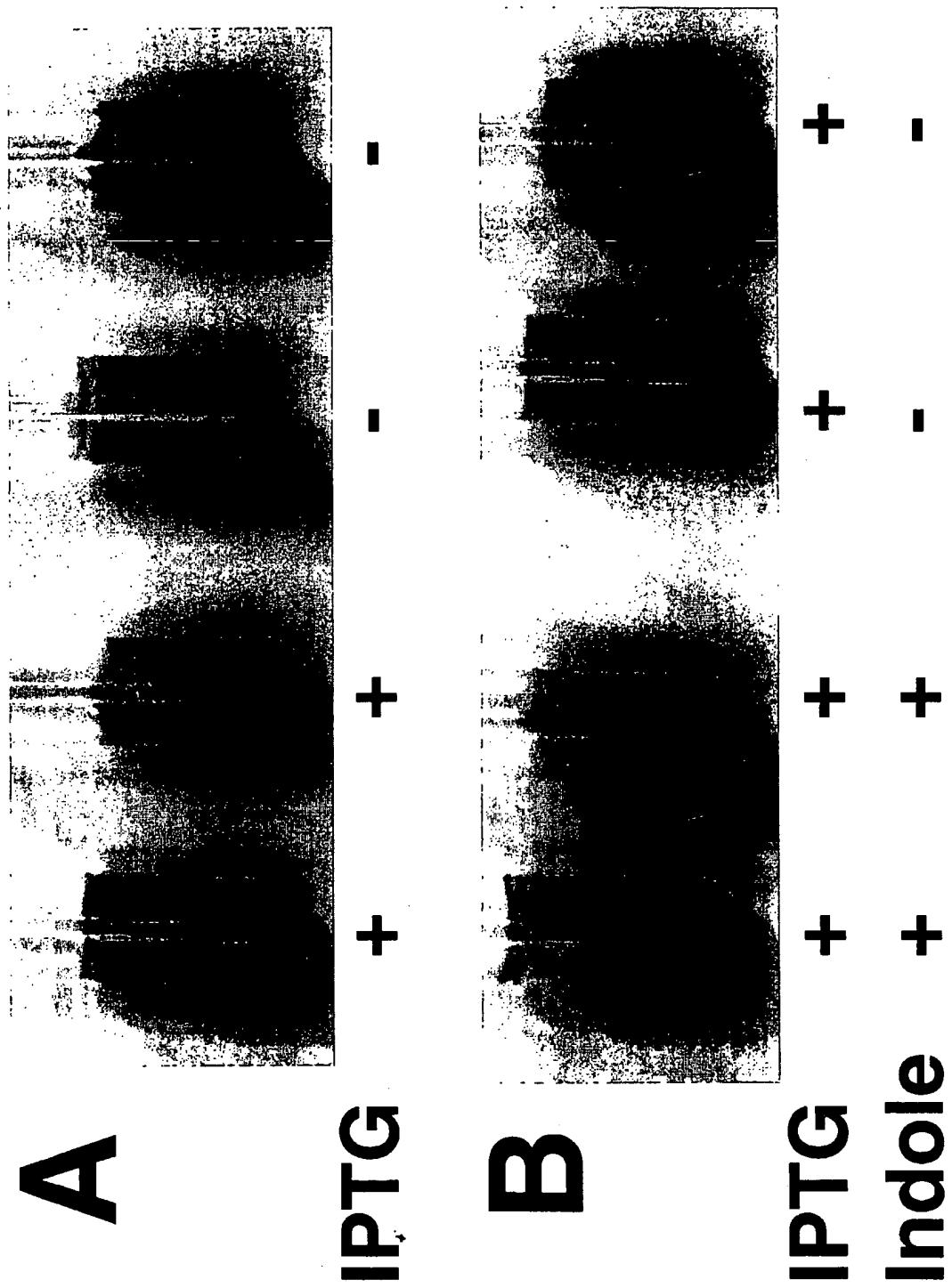


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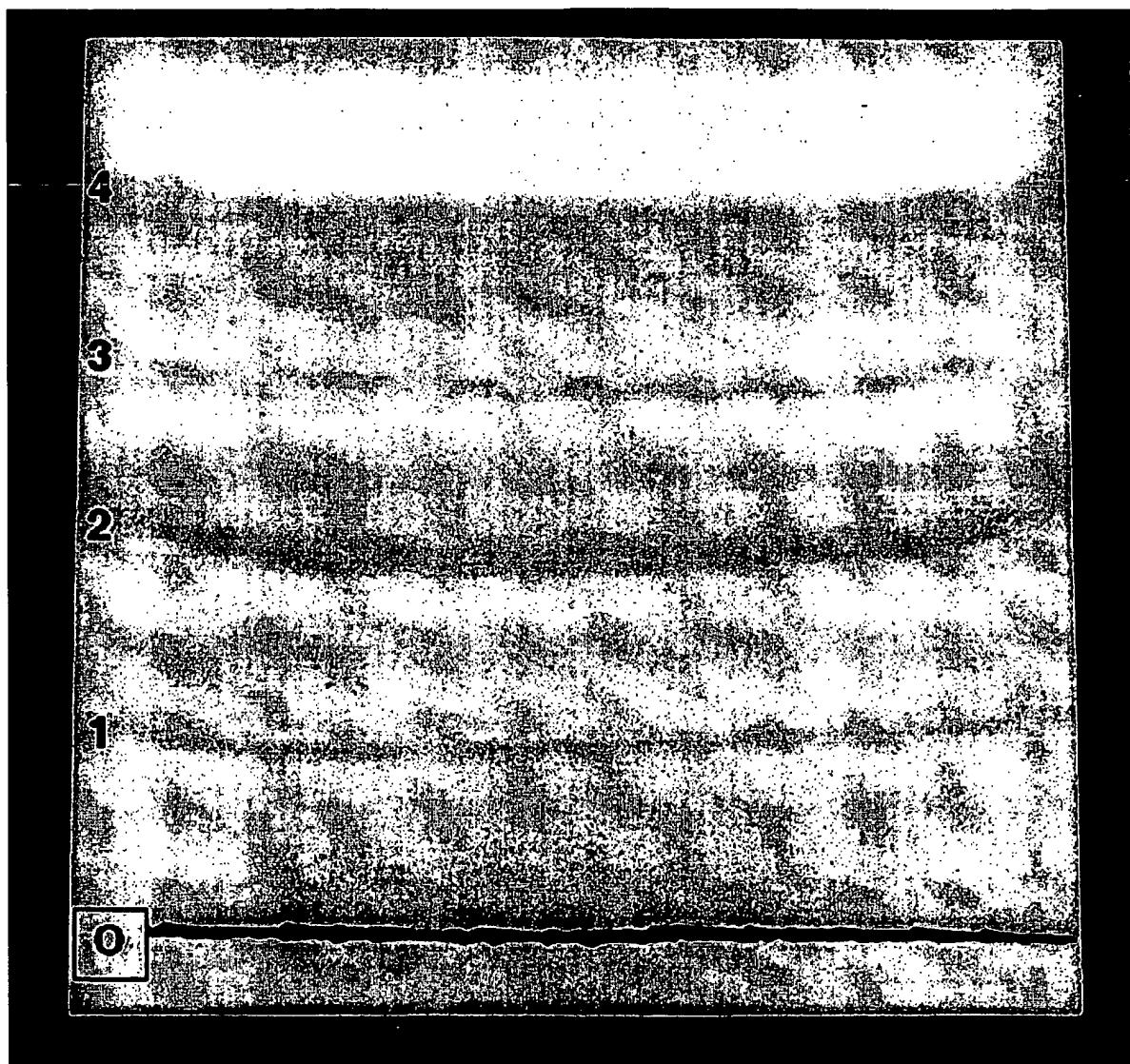


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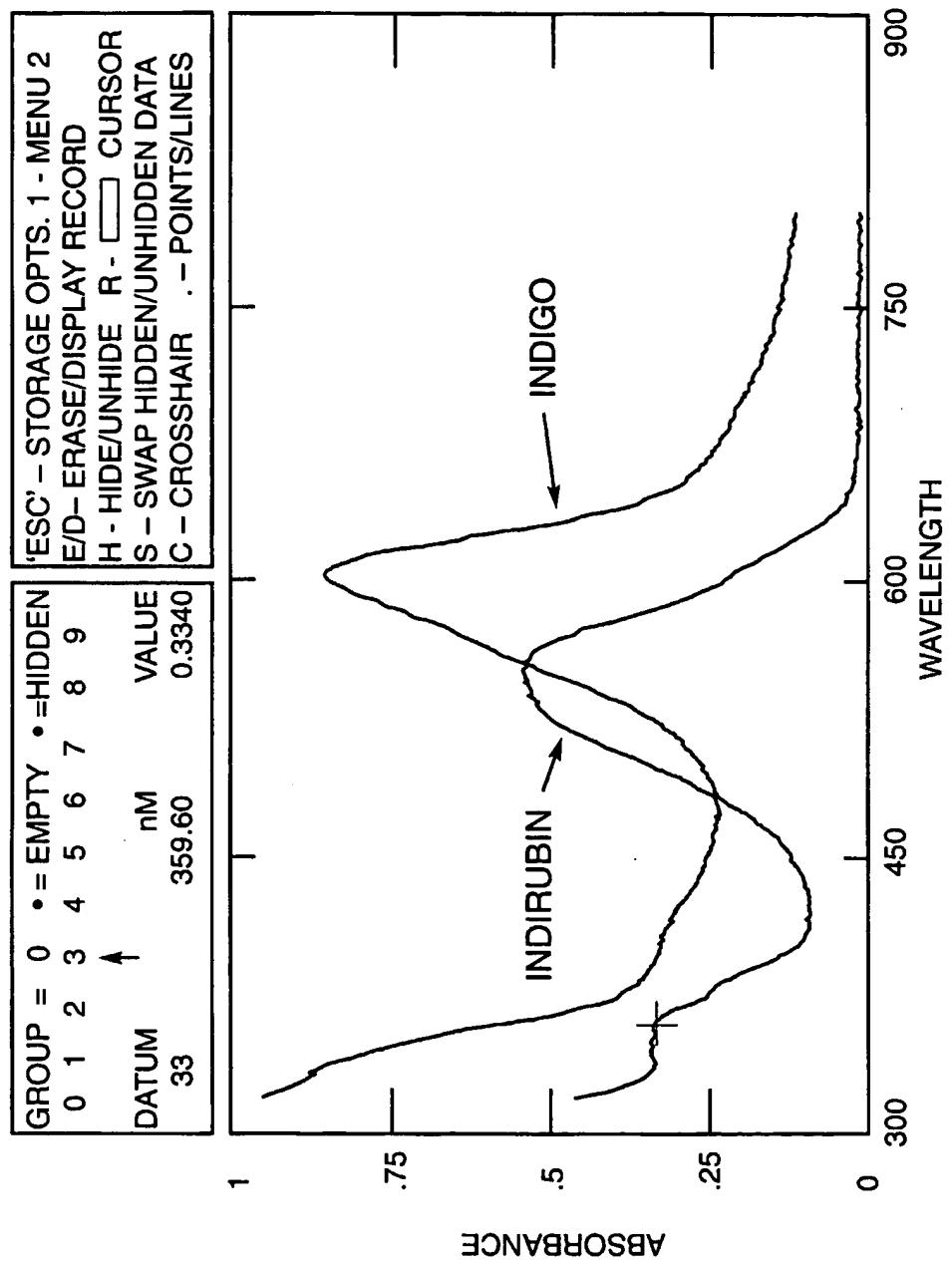


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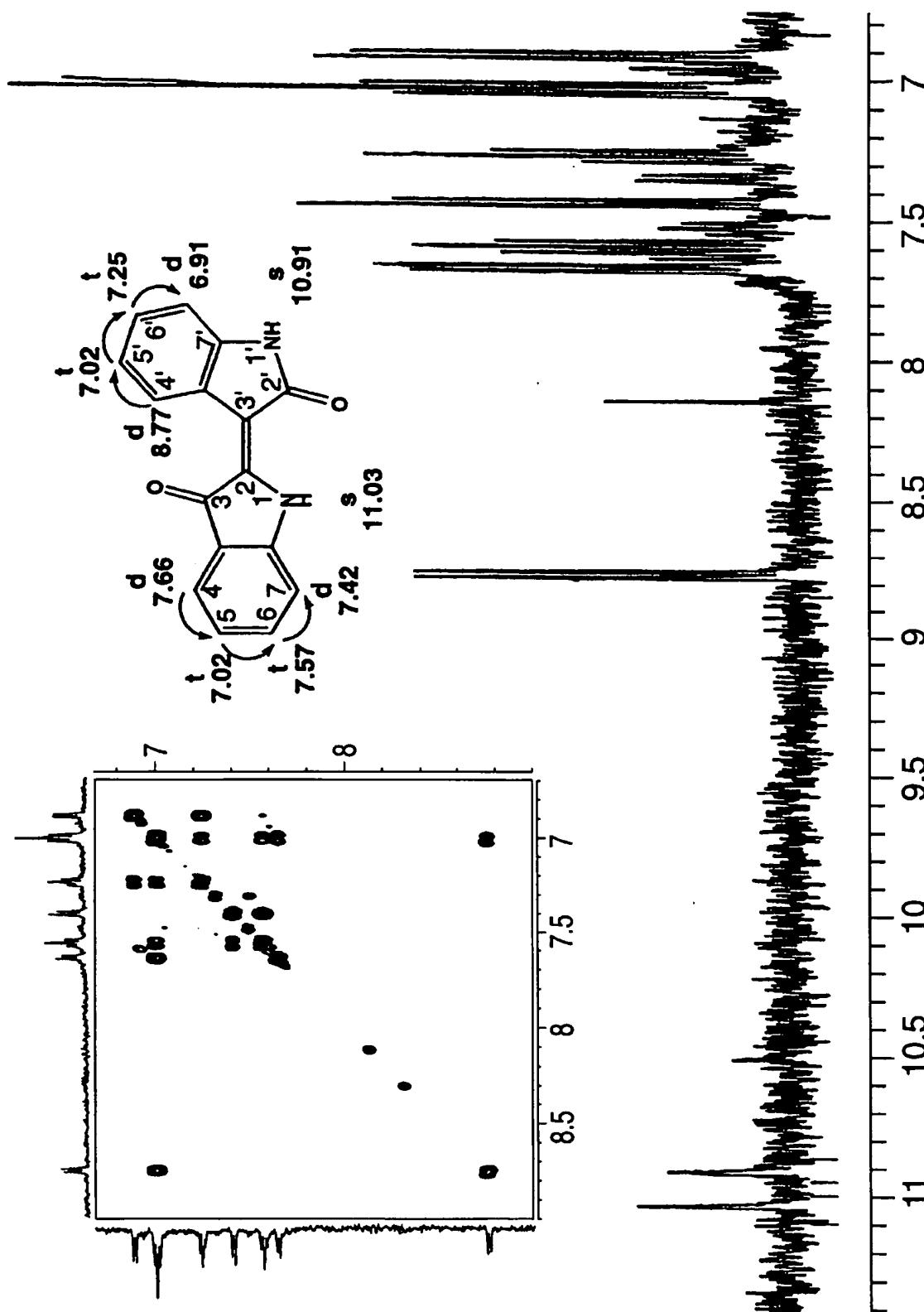


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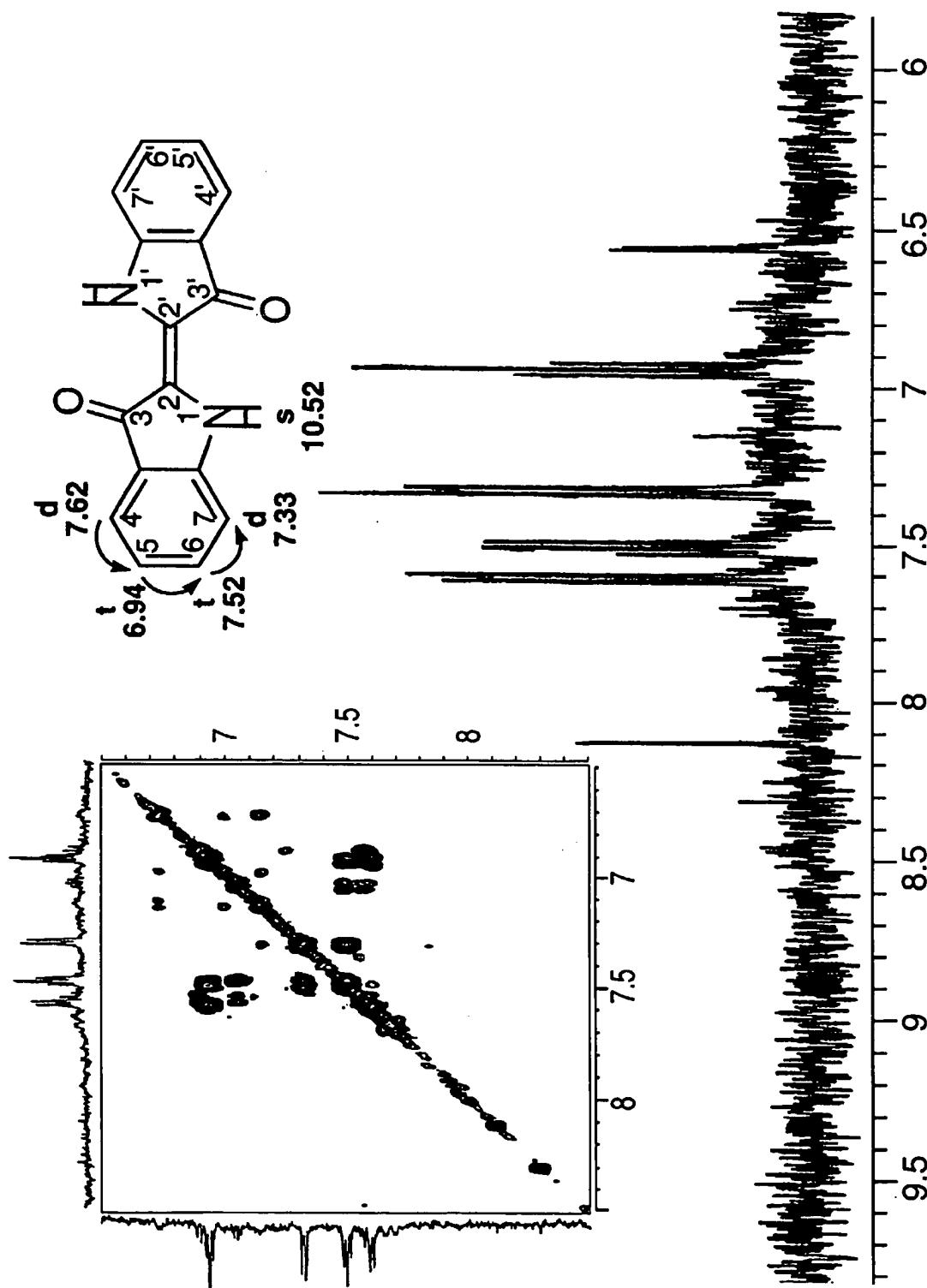


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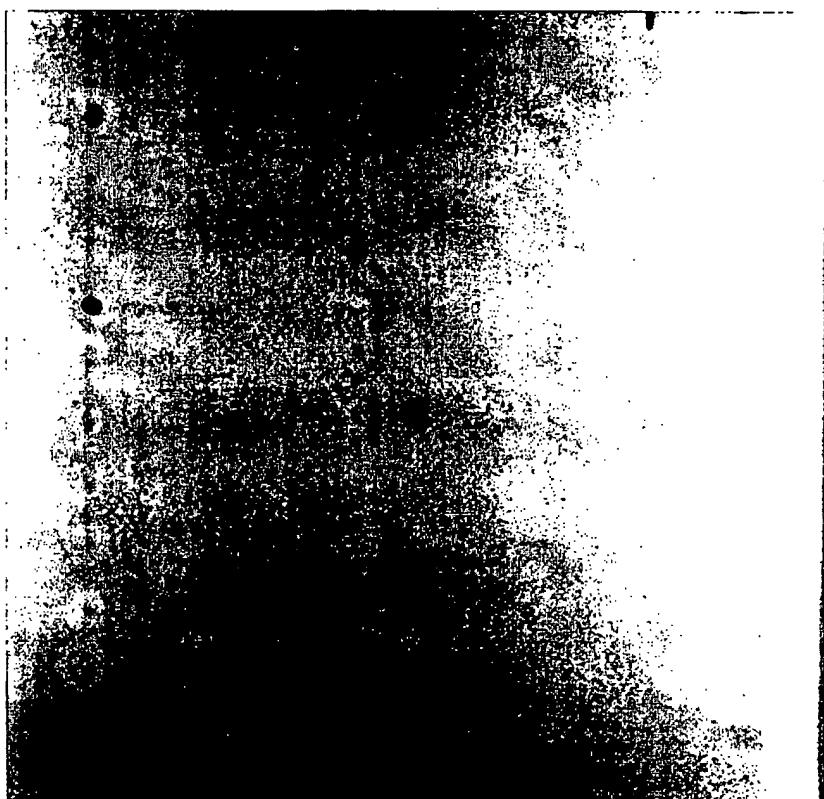


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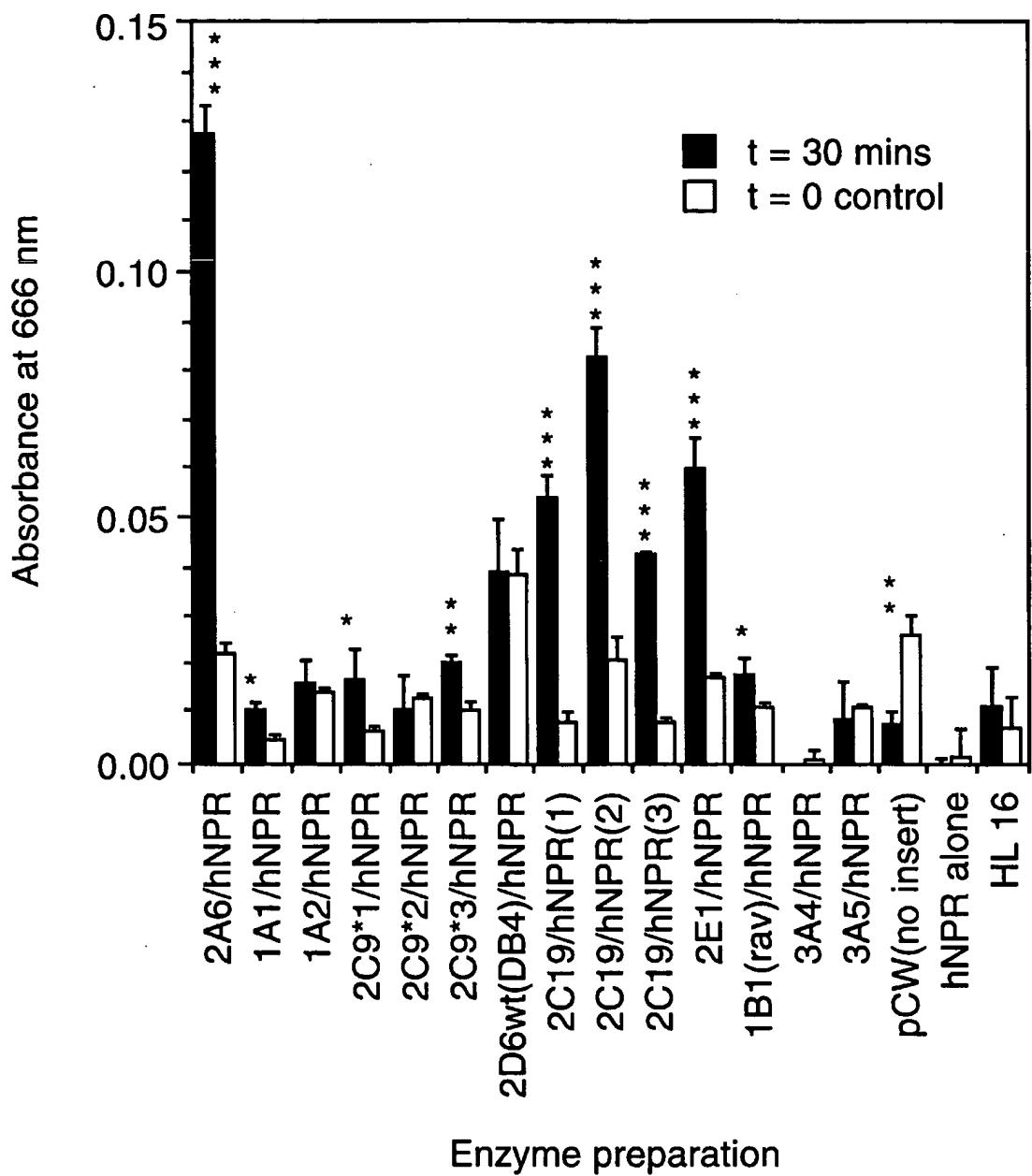


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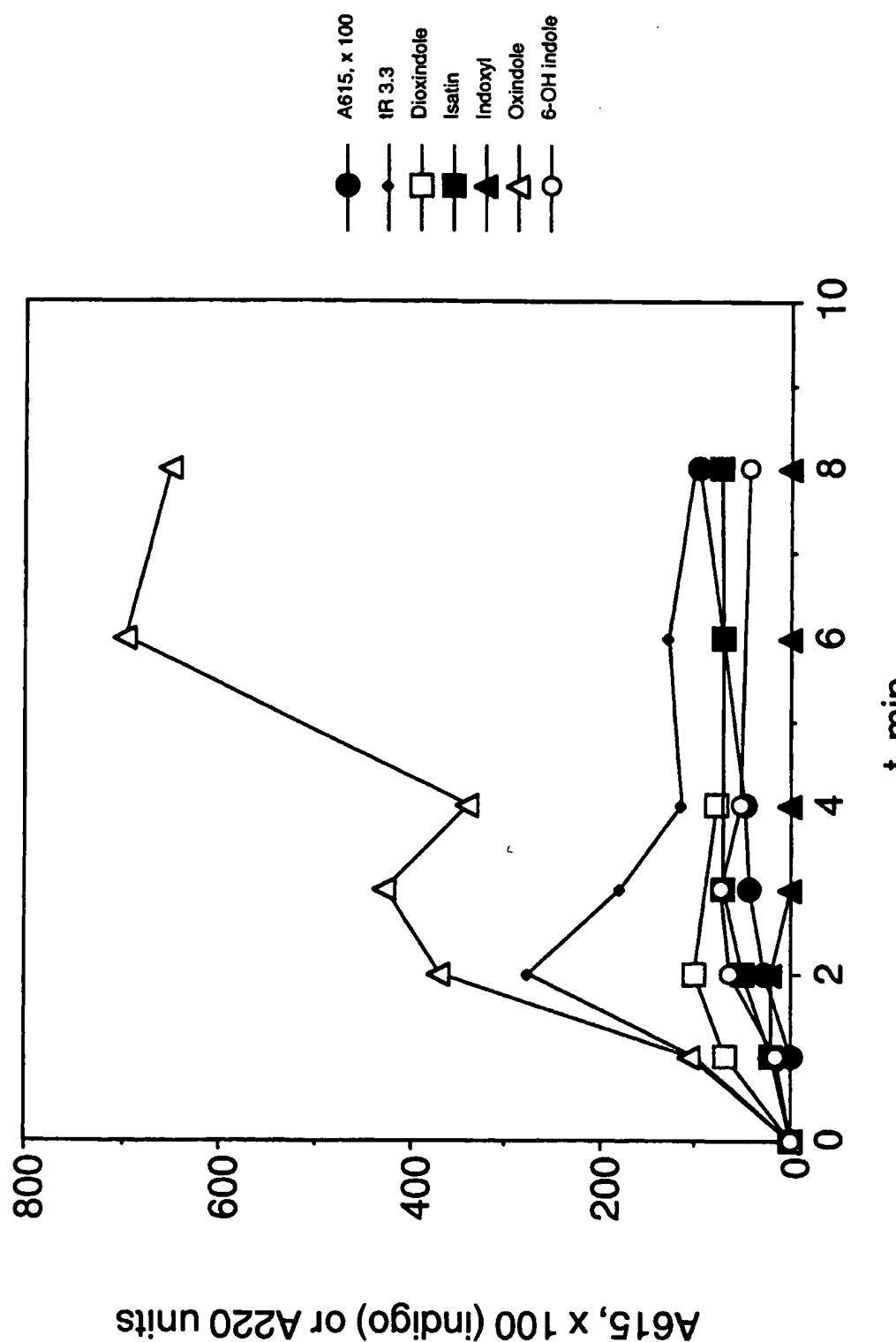


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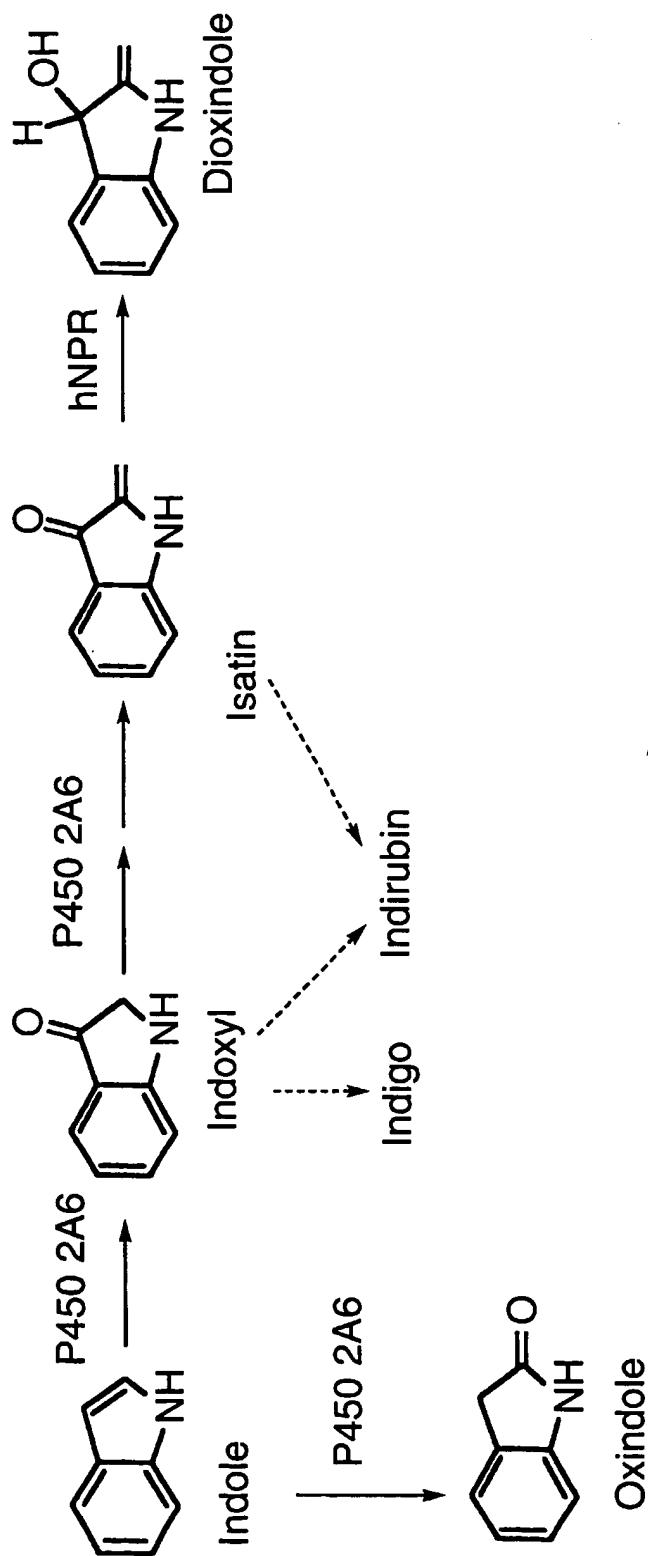


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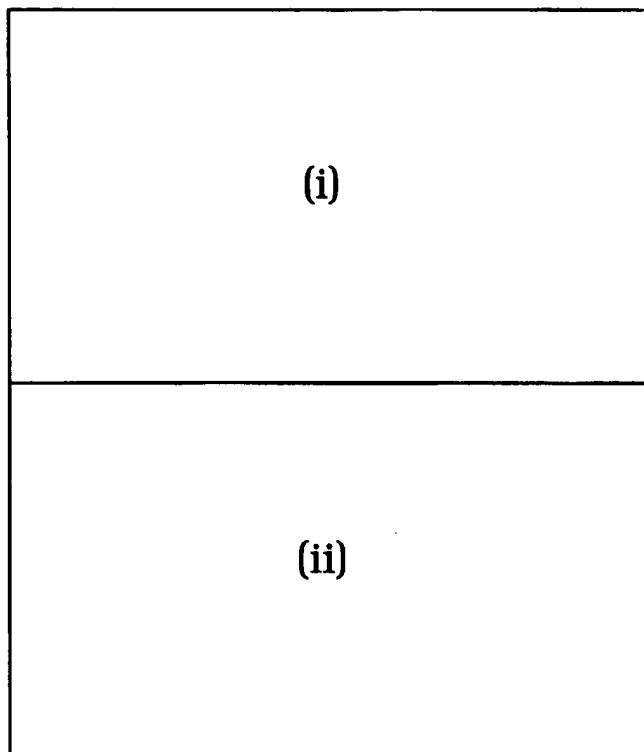


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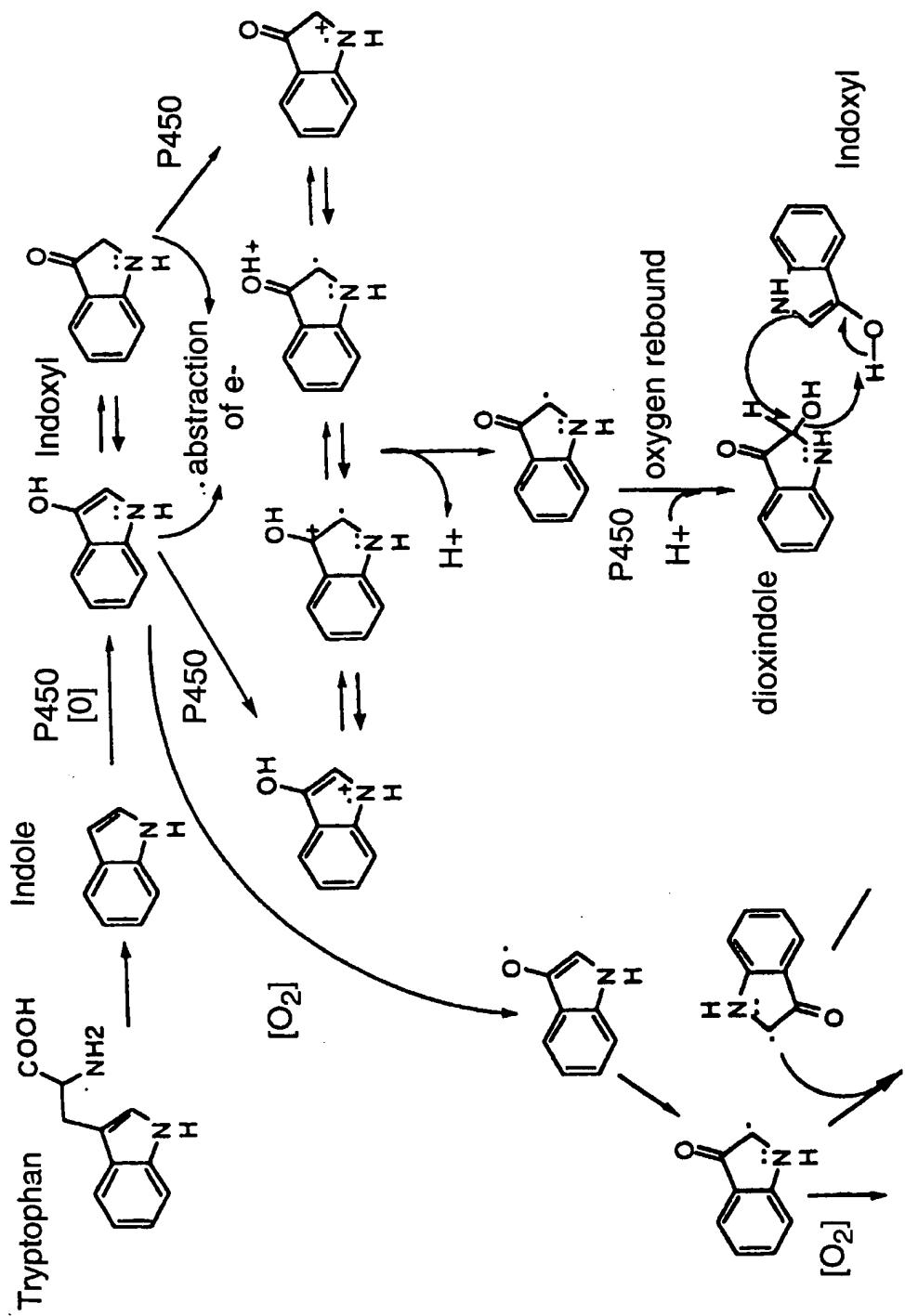


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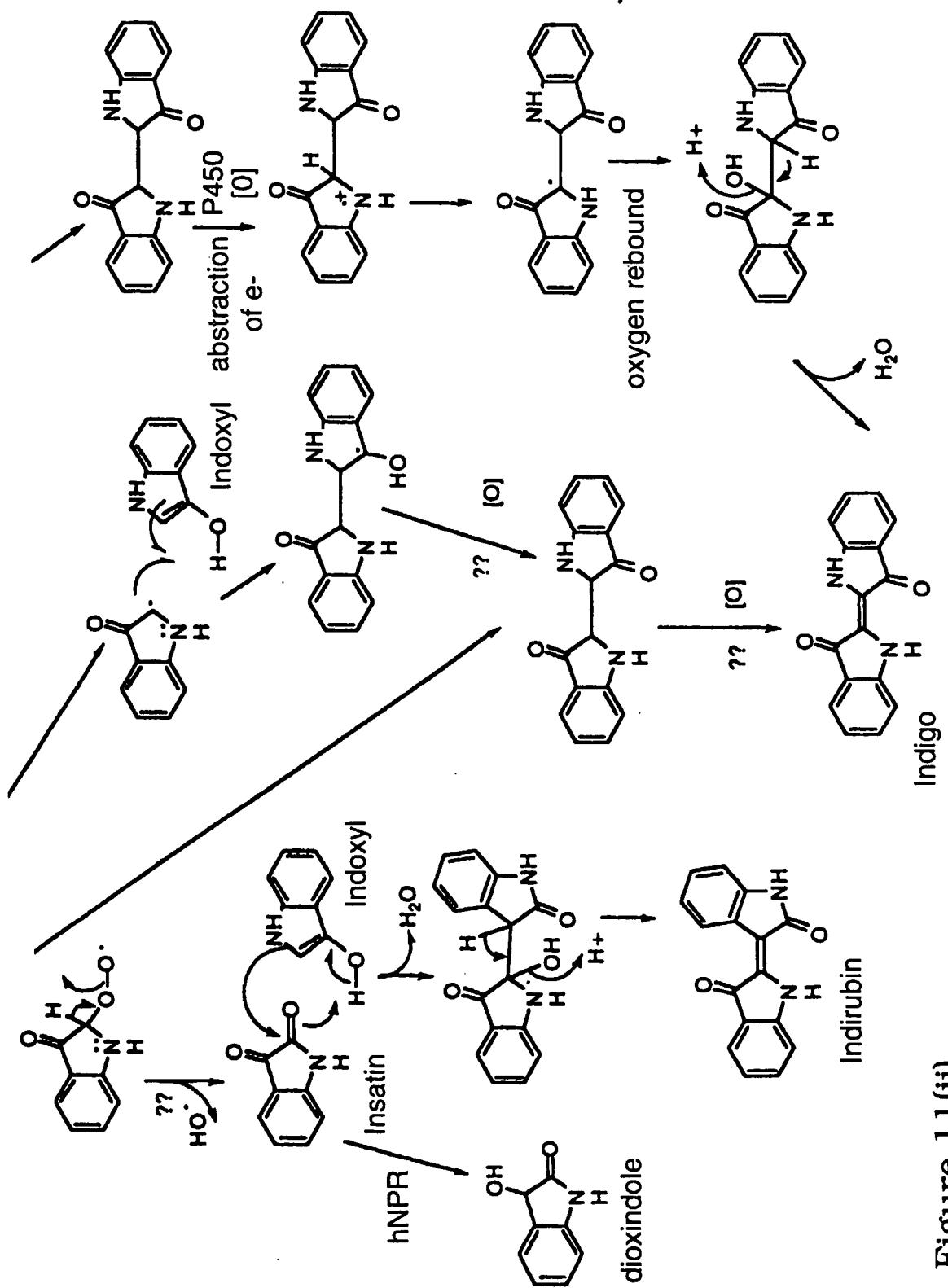


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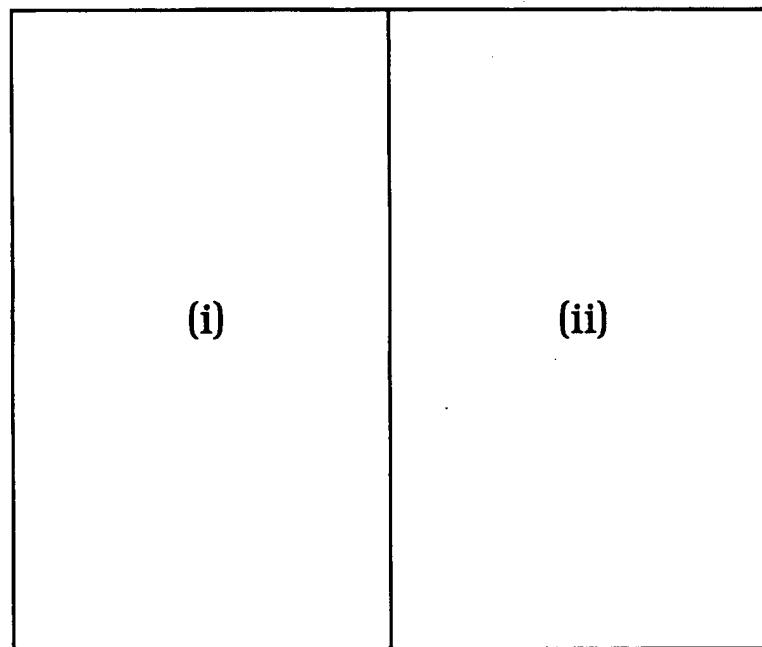


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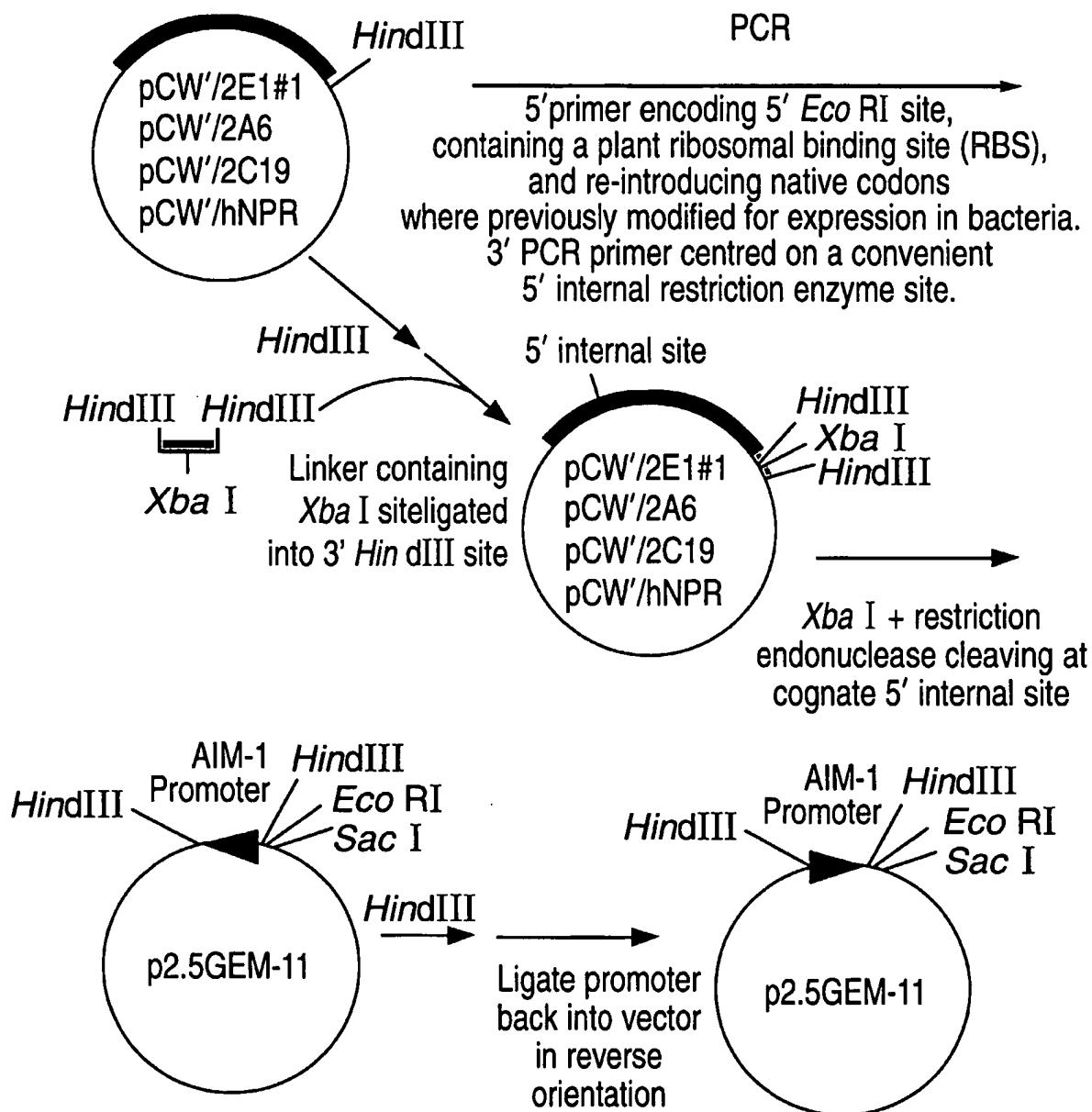


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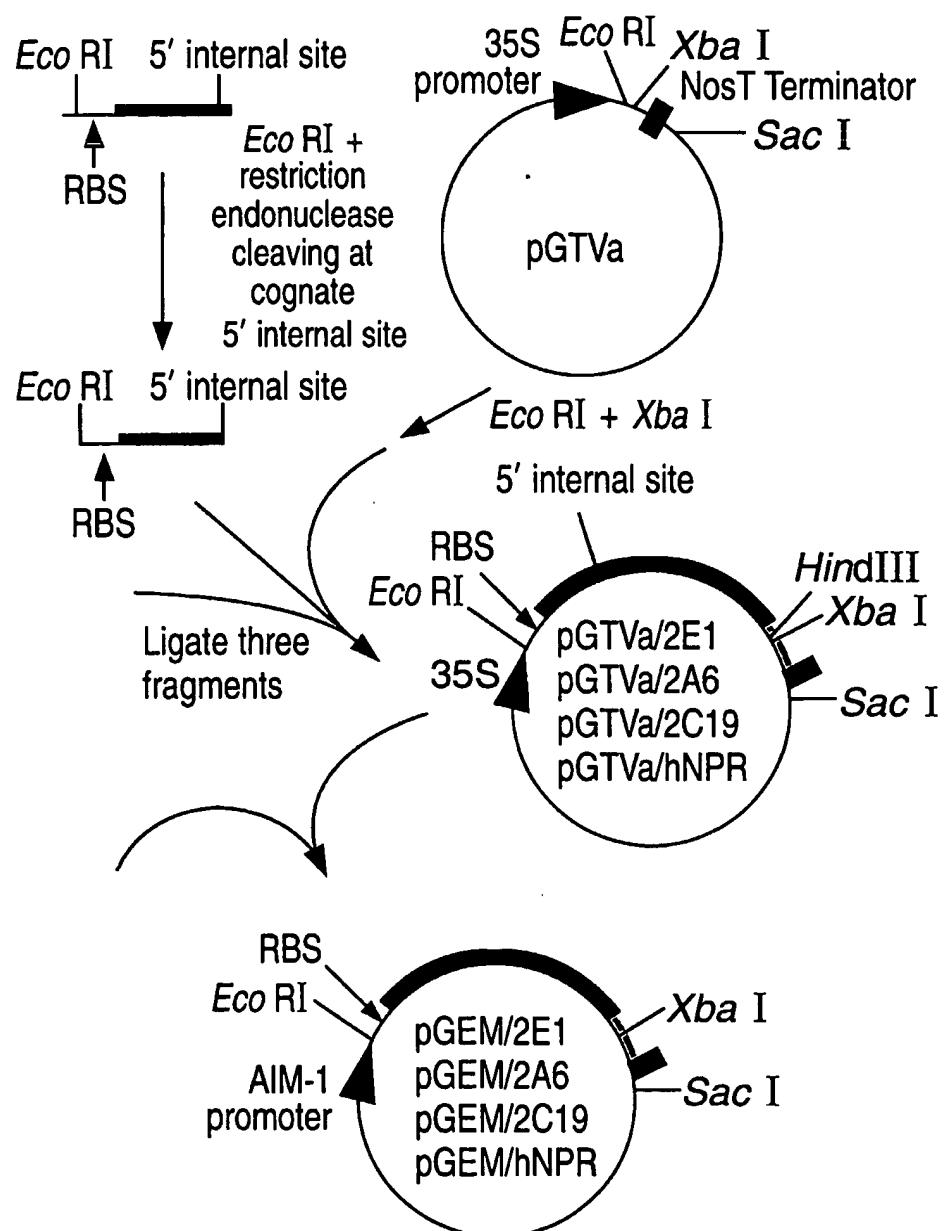


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According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC		
B. FIELDS SEARCHED		
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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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PCT/AU00/00966**Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)**

This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. Claims Nos :
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

2. Claims Nos : **1-14, 25-48**
because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:
These claims do not define the matter for which protection is sought in terms limited by the technical features of the invention.

3. Claims Nos :
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a)

Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims
2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:

4. No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

Remark on Protest

The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
 No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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